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AUSTRALIANS WIN THE TOSS.

START UNCERTAINLY BEFORE 20,000.

RICHARDSON DISMISSED FOR 27 RUNS.

TWO WICKETS DOWN.

The Second Test match, at Sydney, opened this morning in favourable weather, bright sunshine prevailing at the time scheduled for commencement, though some doubts had been caused by rain earlier in the morning.

Ryder won the toss for Australia, the announcement no doubt being received with much satisfaction by the huge crowd of over 20,000 which had assembled.

As indicated by a Reuter message this morning, Mead stood down from the successful England team, Geary, the Leicester bowler, taking his place. The selection was not unexpected, for though it weakens the English batting to some extent, Geary should prove a welcome asset in attack.

The Australians decided at the last moment to include Victor Richardson, for D. Bradman, and Ryder, upon calculations by putting him in first wicket with W. M. Woodfull, breaking up the usual partnership of the latter with Ponsford.

The teams are as follows:

England.

A. P. F. Chapman (Kent)
J. C. White (Somerset)
D. R. Jardine (Surrey)
Hobbs (Surrey)
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire)
Hendren (Middlesex)
Tate (Sussex)
Larwood (Notts)
Hammond (Gloucester)
Geary (Leicester)
Duckworth (Lancashire)

Australia.

J. S. Ryder (Victoria)
W. H. Ponsford (Victoria)
W. M. Woodfull (Victoria)
A. F. Kippax (N.S.W.)
H. L. Hendry (Victoria)
C. V. Grimmett (S. Australia)
D. Blackie (Victoria)
B. Ironmonger (Victoria)
O. E. Nothling (Queensland)
W. A. Oldfield (N.S.W.)
V. Richardson (S. Australia)

Wicket not Affected.

A Reuter message received at one o'clock states that the rain in the early morning had not affected the wicket, and the conditions were good when Woodfull and Richardson went out to open Australia's first innings.

Both batsmen opened slowly, Woodfull being characteristically painstaking.

Fifty runs were on the board without the loss of a wicket, but when one further run had been added, Larwood shattered Richardson's "furniture." Richardson had made 27 runs by methodical cricket, with a bright flash here and there, and Woodfull was not out with 20 to his credit.

Second Disaster.

Before lunch, however, Australia met with further disaster, only eighteen runs being added for the loss of another wicket.

The man out was Kippax, who had scored only nine runs in a partnership of 14 with Woodfull. Kippax was clean bowled by Geary, the newcomer to the England side. The wicket fell with 65 runs on the board.

Ponsford then joined Woodfull, four runs being added before lunch, when the scores read:

Australia, 1st Innings.

W. M. Woodfull, not out 26
V. Richardson, b Larwood 27
A. F. Kippax, b Geary 9
W. H. Ponsford, not out 2
Extras 6

Total (for 2 wks.) 69

Sir Henry Gollan returned from Shanghai by the P. and O. liner Kashmir to-day.

TRADE PROSPECTS IN CHINA.

BRITISH LEGATION NOT VERY OPTIMISTIC.

ASSURANCE OF PEACE.

London, Dec. 13.

An interesting report on the prospects of British trade in China has been submitted to the Government by Mr. H. H. Fox, C.M.G., the Commercial Counsellor at the British Legation, Peking.

The report deals at considerable length with the industrial and economic situation in China up to September 1st last, and Mr. Fox expresses the opinion that until the country has settled down to a more or less uninterrupted period of peace and good government, the chances of any considerable development of British trade with China are very slight indeed.

The Counsellor also draws attention to the competition offered by other countries, and emphasises that if Britain is to recover her former share of the China trade, British manufacturers must do their utmost to reduce production costs to the lowest possible level.

In this latter connexion, it will be recalled that a big amalgamation of textile firms recently took place to deal exclusively in the China trade.—Reuter.

ECHO OF ROTHSTEIN MURDER.

NEW YORK POLICE CHIEF RESIGNS.

New York, Dec. 13.

The City Police Commissioner, Mr. Warren has tendered his resignation.

His department has been severely criticised for its conduct of the Rothstein case, a recent New York underworld crime, in which Mr. Rothstein, a well-known sportsman, was shot dead in the street, after allegedly losing \$70,000 at poker and refusing to pay by reason of sharpening.—Reuter.

No arrest was made until three weeks afterwards, since when no details of further proceedings have been received.

LOW WATER ON WEST RIVER.

ALMOST A RECORD AT WUCHOW.

The water in the West River is still falling, according to reports made by vessels employed on the run, and, with no prospect of rain in the near future, navigational difficulties are increased.

The tide pole at Wuchow is now showing one foot two inches above zero, dangerously near a record, while at Samshui, the marks show 10 below zero.

LIQUOR SMUGGLING FROM CANADA.

CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.

A conference has been arranged between Canada and the United States for a discussion of the problem of the smuggling of alcoholic liquor from Canada into the United States.

The conference, according to present arrangements, will be held at Ottawa in January.—Reuter's American Service.

REMOTE SINKIANG.

AN APPOINTMENT FOR GEN. PEI CHUNG-HSI?

Peking, Dec. 13.

Considerable trouble is reported from remote Sinkiang and Turkestan. It is rumoured that General Pei Chung-hsi, the Kwangsi leader, may be ordered to Sinkiang to suppress the rebels.

SERIOUS NANKING ROWDYISM.

DR. WANG'S RESIDENCE ATTACKED.

ANTI-JAPANESE AGITATORS STIR UP MOB.

CHIANG'S REBUKE.

Nanking, Dec. 13.

A serious disturbance outside the residence of Dr. C. T. Wang, when many windows were broken and officials were attacked by a mob worked up by anti-Japanese agitators, led to a collision with the police and Chinese gendarmerie, a sharp scuffle resulting in injuries on both sides.

Brief details available this morning reveal that over twenty of the participants, including the members of the police, were seriously injured, while a number of onlookers were also hurt by flying missiles.

An official residing at Dr. Wang's home was dragged out and badly mauled by the crowd.

Protest Meeting.

The outbreak, which occurred yesterday afternoon, was the climax to a meeting of protest by anti-Japanese agitators, who blame Dr. C. T. Wang for the "unsatisfactory" development of the negotiations with Japan. There is also much discontent at the new treaties concluded with Belgium and Italy, fostered by Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai's recent speech.

Dr. C. T. Wang is at present in Shanghai. In his absence, this meeting was called, when he was severely criticised. Many inflammatory speeches were made, and eventually the crowd got out of control and marched in a rowdy procession through the city from the recreation ground of the Chungshan University, where the meeting was held.

At Japanese Consulate.

The first sign that serious trouble was brewing occurred as the crowd approached the Japanese Consulate. Here they stopped for some little time haranguing against the Japanese, hurling violent abuse at the Consulate and distributing pamphlets.

Afterwards, they proceeded to the offices of the Foreign Ministry, with the avowed object of interviewing the officials, but they were informed that Dr. Wang was away, and decided to visit his private residence.

It was here that the incidents related above occurred, the crowd immediately attacking the premises, throwing stones and damaging movable property.

Marshal Chiang Approached.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek was at the time having a conversation with Mr. Tokonami the representative of Baron Tanaka at the Naval Ministry, and was told that the mob was on its way to the Naval Ministry to interview him. Marshal Chiang at once sent word to leaders of the mob instructing them to see him at the Central Kuomintang Headquarters.

Marshal Chiang demanded a reason for the disturbances and severely reprimanded the leaders for their action.

Marshal Chiang afterwards addressed the mob and pointed out that he appreciated the fact that they were showing their patriotism but, while they created disturbances and broke up houses they were doing something outside the law.

Disgrace to Country.

Marshal Chiang said their action was a disgrace to the country and disclosed the bad behaviour of the Chinese population.

Marshal Chiang added: "I am ashamed of your action. If you have no confidence in the present Government, you can choose some one else to administer the Government. We are quite prepared to give up at any time the administrative power to the people of the country."

The mob maintained silence and Marshal Chiang continuing said: (Continued on Page 12.)

FURTHER CHARGES AGAINST YEO.

RESERVED POINTS WILL FIRST BE DEALT WITH.

TRIAL UNCERTAIN.

The name of Carvalho Yeo, with two aliases, Yeung Tsui-tsin and Chan Man-wai, again figures on the Criminal Sessions list of cases to be heard at the Supreme Court this month. There are two counts against him, one being falsification of accounts and another of forgery of a receipt.

When the accused was sentenced at the last Sessions on three counts of uttering forged cheques, Mr. H. G. Sheldon, junior counsel for the Crown, referred to this further indictment. Mr. Sheldon then said that nothing more might be heard of these two charges pending the decision of the Full Court in the case, but he asked His Lordship (Mr. Justice Jackson) to adjourn the counts until the Sessions for the present month, which application was granted.

We understand that the decision on certain points which were reserved by his Lordship at the trial will be given before it is decided whether or not Carvalho Yeo will be tried on these two additional counts. As yet it has not been definitely decided whether an appeal will be made.

There are also in the calendar two cases of alleged piracy to be dealt with. Yuen Ping-kwan is charged on two counts, (1) piracy with acts endangering life and (2) piracy. Another charge of piracy is preferred against Ho Fu.

Mowaz Khan is to be tried on a charge of rape.

There are also two cases where robbery—two or more is alleged. In one such case there are two accused, Pun Tak and Ko Cho, while in the other case there is only one man charged, Tse Lam-fuk.

THE STEAMER SHASI REFLOATED.

ATTEMPT TO TOW OFF ROCKS SUCCESSFUL.

Contrary to expectations, it was possible to refloat the C. N. S. Shasi last Friday night and the vessel is returning to Shanghai for repairs.

The steamer struck the Split Hill rocks below Hankow last Monday week and was firmly ensconced on a ledge of rock in a more or less comfortable position. All attempts to get her off proved unavailing and it was intended to shore her up for the winter so that she could be refloated at high water about next March.

Another attempt was made on Friday night by the salvage vessels sent from Hankow and this fortunately was successful.

PEKING UNIVERSITY TROUBLES.

STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES ON STRIKE.

Peking, Dec. 13.

The Peking University is in a state of chaos just now. Following the students' strike in protest against the appointment of the new Chancellor, bringing lectures, etc. to a standstill, the University's minor employees have now ceased work, demanding the payment of wages for a considerable time past.

The Political Council has ordered the arrest of the student ring-leaders.

LUTON WIN F. A. CUP RE-PLAY.

FULHAM GO DOWN HEAVILY IN BEDFORDSHIRE.

London, Dec. 13.

Fulham were eliminated from the English Cup Competition to-day, Luton winning smartly by a goal to one. At Fulham on Saturday, neither set of forwards found the net, but playing on their own ground, Luton were much superior. In the third round next month, Luton are at home to another London club, Crystal Palace.—Reuter.

CHINESE DOCTOR CHARGED.

WHAT CONSTITUTES PRACTISING?

NOVEL POINTS RAISED BY THE DEFENCE.

FAMILY TRADITIONS.

The demarcation line between the practice of Chinese and Western medicine was investigated before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Police Court this morning, on the resumption of the case in which Wong Singun is charged with practising as a doctor without being registered.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, who was called as an expert witness for the Crown, said that on October 30 he went with Inspector Lane to the defendant's surgery on the first floor of 321, Queen's Road West. There they found English-made compressed tablets, synthetic drugs, blue pills and other medicines tableted in the list handed into the Court. Witness also handed in his definition of what constituted the differences between the practice of Western and Chinese medicine.

Essential Difference.

The essential difference was that Western medicine used only the pure active principals extracted from drugs, while Chinese medicine included the drugs in their crude form.

Witness had made a study of the Chinese drugs used in this Colony and had in his possession a collection of 450 different kinds of drug, all of which were crude.

His Worship:—Do you say that Chinese practitioners have all along, or only recently, used Western derivatives of the drugs?—In my opinion, Chinese physicians have only recently started to use European derivatives.

Do you believe that practice is very common?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. F. H. Losoby on behalf of the defence, witness said that he only examined a certain number of the drugs and medicines taken away from the defendant's surgery.

Mr. Losoby:—You examined them with a view to finding, firstly, poisons, and secondly, any medicines or instruments that would be used by European practitioners?—Yes.

And you did not examine and did not go into anything that might have been used by a Chinese practitioner?—Well, we looked for the things that would not be used by Chinese medical practitioners.

Many not Registered.

Witness agreed that a large number of Chinese physicians were practising Chinese medicine whose names were not on the register. He also agreed that it was the duty of every medical practitioner, whether Western or Chinese, to keep himself as up-to-date as possible.

Do you also agree that most of the stuff now in Court could be got by almost everybody?—Yes.

Witness further said that with the exception of the poisons and other stuff used for the treatment of a certain form of disease the same might be found in anybody's private medicine chest.

What is Practising?

Mr. Losoby suggested that the practice of medicine was not confined to the doctors, that there were other people in all stages of qualifications who were also practising medicine. He referred to the nurses, dressers, dispensaries, and even the members of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

Witness:—I don't think these people can be strictly described as practising medicine. They carry out certain specified medical duties.

Coming to the stipulation of "practising for gain," which makes it an offence, Mr. Losoby said they could say that the Lord Chief Justice was himself practising for gain if he was not practising law.

To witness:—As an expert witness you are aware that it was the practice amongst Chinese to hand (Continued on Page 12.)

CALMER SPIRIT NOW PREVAILS.

DR. STRESEMANN SATISFIED WITH ASSURANCES.

LUGANO DISCUSSIONS.

Lugano, Dec. 13.

As was all along anticipated, the conversations between Sir Austen Chamberlain, Dr. Stresemann, and M. Briand, the Foreign Ministers of Britain, Germany and France respectively, concerning the evacuation of the Rhineland and the reparations problems have led to nothing definite.

Dr. Stresemann came to this little town on the shores of Lake Lugano full of suspicion as the result of statements made in the French and British Parliaments. Sir Austen Chamberlain was in conference with M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann for over an hour and a half to-day, following which he told British journalists that he was convinced the German Foreign Minister would return to Berlin a little less pessimistic in spirit than when he came.

The "Big Three" had all agreed that the first step should be to get the Committee of Experts working on the settlement of the reparations problem as soon as possible.

No decisions have been reached at Lugano. Further conversations will be continued through the usual diplomatic channels, no further meetings having been arranged.—Reuter.

SOUTH AMERICAN WAR CLOUDS.

BOLIVIA THROWS BLAME ON PARAGUAY.

Lugano, Dec. 13.

Bolivia has so far shown no signs of responding to the appeal for a more conciliatory spirit in connexion with the dispute over Elchaco, though the immediate fear of an outbreak of hostilities appears to have been dispelled.

Both the Governments of Paraguay and Bolivia have now replied to the telegrams addressed to them by M. Briand, on behalf of the Council of the League of Nations.

Bolivia throws all the blame for the dispute on Paraguay.

Paraguay enters into explanations and foreshadows a pacific settlement of the dispute.—Reuter.

"DRY" SENATE TRIES ITS HAND.

PROHIBITION ISSUE LOOMS LARGE.

Washington, Dec. 13.

The Senate, without debate, today added over \$250,000,000 to the Treasury's appropriation bill for the enforcement of prohibition.

It is extremely unlikely that the House of Representatives will endorse this sum, bearing in mind the blocking of the passage of a bill for only \$13,500,000 for the same purpose just a week ago.—Reuter's American Service.

DEATH OF AMERICAN STATESMAN.

MR. JACOB DICKINSON PASSES AWAY.

New York, Dec. 13.

The death has occurred of Mr. Jacob Dickinson, who was Secretary of State for War during the Taft Administration. The late Mr. Dickinson was 77 years of age, and lived latterly at Chicago.—Reuter's American Service.

RAVAGES OF WAR.

NEW YELLOW RIVER BRIDGE NEARLY READY.

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

The reconstruction of the railway bridge over the Yellow River, destroyed during the Nationalist advance earlier in the year, is proceeding apace, and the new bridge should be ready within three months.

DEEP ANXIETY FOR HIS MAJESTY.

NEXT FEW DAYS MAY DECIDE.

QUEEN & PRINCE CONSULTED BEFORE OPERATION.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT.

London, Dec. 13.

For the next few days grave anxiety for the King must continue, it was authoritatively stated this afternoon. Until it is definitely known whether the King's strength is sufficient to conquer the considerable weakness following yesterday's operation, His Majesty's condition must be regarded as serious.

The heavy tax on the King's strength, already impaired, was one of the grave considerations which the doctors had to weigh up before performing the operation. The decision to undertake active treatment was a grave one, and before taking it, it is understood they consulted both the Queen and the Prince of Wales.

King "Progressing."

An official statement was issued from Buckingham Palace at 3.15 p.m. to the effect that "the King is progressing."

Thousands of people assembled outside the Palace this evening for the all-important evening bulletin. It was posted at approximately 8.15 p.m. and stated:

"Though the King is still suffering from exhaustion there is a slight improvement in His Majesty's condition this evening. The local condition remains satisfactory." (Signed) Stanley Hewett, H. M. Rigby, Dawson of Penn.

Consulted regarding the evening bulletin, an eminent physician not connected with the Court, expressed the opinion that, in all the circumstances, the bulletin is as good as one could get.

Changed Outlook?

The fact that His Majesty has passed safely through twenty-four hours following an operation is a very good thing. The immediate danger after such an operation is the shock. Fortunately there appears to have been none. The outlook, the doctor thinks, is now completely changed.

The seriousness of the King's condition, and the Premier's deep concern was reflected in a small incident in the House of Commons this afternoon.

The Chief Government Whip announced that the Christmas adjournment would be taken on December 20th, Thursday next week, but omitted to say when the House would meet again.

One of the members asked.

Premier's Hesitation.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin hesitated, and then replied quietly: "I would prefer to answer that question on Monday."

The present intention is that Parliament should reassemble on January 15th, but an earlier meeting would be necessary if the King died.

Princess Mary, at a meeting of the League of Mercy at St. James's Palace this afternoon, said: "You will be pleased to know that so far the condition of the King is satisfactory."

The Duke of York has cancelled his engagement to attend the annual dinner on Saturday of the Northampton Farmers' Union. Reuter and British Wireless.

American Greetings.

Washington, Dec. 13.

President Coolidge has cabled a cheering message to His Majesty the King, reflecting the sympathy and good wishes of the whole of America, stating "I am greatly pleased to learn there is a distinct improvement in Your Majesty's health and trust your complete convalescence will now be a matter of a short time."—Reuter's American Service.

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GRAND TATTOO FINANCES.

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OVER \$16,000 CREDIT BALANCE.

A net profit of over \$16,000 was realised on the Grand Tattoo which was held at Sookumpoo on October 4, 5 and 6. The total receipts amounted to over \$35,000, this figure including sale of tickets, donations etc. The takings on each of the three nights were as follow. First night, \$9,585.03; second night, \$16,765.19; third night \$11,890.78. The balance sheet as submitted to a meeting of the Working Committee yesterday, signed by Mr. H.R. Forsyth, chairman of the Finance Committee and Mr. G. E. Towns, Honorary Treasurer, is given below:

RECEIPTS.	
Sale of Tickets	\$32,241.00
Sale of Parking Tickets	829.50
Donations	1,050.00
Profit on Tattoo Charity Football Match	1,184.20
Bank Interest	70.77
	\$35,475.47
PAYMENTS.	
Insurance	\$2,822.07
Construction of Stands, Scenery and Fencing	8,320.81
Lighting	1,083.18
Payments to Military for Transport, Ammunition, Refreshments for troops etc.	3,855.75
Advertising, less proceeds from sale of programmes and advertisements in programmes	905.17
Secretarial Expenses, Cables etc.	297.00
Stationery, Printing tickets etc.	523.58
Sundries	539.63
Reconditioning Ground and Repairs to roofing	800.00
Balance at Credit in Current Account	16,893.88
	\$85,475.47

H. E. Major General C.C. Luard C.B., C.M.G., presided over the final meeting of the Working Committee, held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd., yesterday evening when the statement of accounts was presented.

The Honorary General Secretary, Mr. J. H. Hunt gave a brief resume of the organisation of the Grand Tattoo, and the accounts were explained by Mr. H. R. Forsyth, chairman of the Finance Committee.

Commenting on the nightly results, Mr. Forsyth said the capacity of the ground, after deducting seats for performers, etc., was expected to bring in less than the actual proceeds of \$11,890.78 for the last night and it would be seen that the ground was "over capacity" on the Saturday. That was accounted for by the sale of standing room seats printed at the last moment in consequence of the demand for accommodation.

With regard to payments, he said that the total for the construction of stands, etc., included a payment of over \$7,000 to the stand contractor, while the amount for lighting included payment to the Electric Company and the cost of wiring. Under the head of payments to military the principal item was transport which cost \$1,660. Advertisements and revenue from the sale of programmes had resulted in a much smaller sum being spent on publicity than was at one time thought.

Equal Distribution.

Mr. Forsyth moved the adoption of the accounts and that the balance at the bank be equally divided between the regimental charities of the troops taking part in the Tattoo and the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Mr. R. Sutherland seconded and the motion was carried.

AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

"WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES."

A new amateur dramatic society has been formed among Portuguese residents of Kowloon under the auspices of the Club de Recreio Amateur Players. It is their intention to organise amateur plays which they hope to

H. E. Major General Luard said that the Grand Tattoo had been carried through to a very successful conclusion as shown by the credit balance of over \$16,000, a sum in excess of what the most optimistic hoped for at one time when there was the risk of wet weather. He pointed out that cards of thanks had been sent out by the Honorary General Secretary to those taking part in the Tattoo, and it only remained for him (the chairman) to thank members of the Working Committee for the time they had given the interest they had shown and the hard work they had put in.

It would be invidious to mention names where so much had been done by so many people but he would make an exception and suggest that a vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Hunt, the General Secretary for his services.

Tribute to Secretary.

Major General Luard said that as the General Officer Commanding he would like to express thanks to the kind and generous way in which they had come forward in providing funds for the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., and the regimental charities. In conclusion he personally thanked members of the Working Committee for their help.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden said that during the organisation he came into close contact with Mr. Hunt and knew the tremendous amount of work he had done. The speaker seconded the motion for a vote of thanks to be passed, being supported by all members of the Committee.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy moved a vote of thanks to Major General Luard, the chairman. He thought the committee had been unique in its constitution and that it owed a debt of gratitude to the General Officer Commanding for presiding over it.

present from time to time.

Arrangements are already complete for their first production which will be "What Happened to Jones." Rehearsals are now taking place and according to the present plans the play will be presented at the Star Theatre on two nights during the beginning of the New Year, the dates being January 8 and 10. Further details will be announced in due course.

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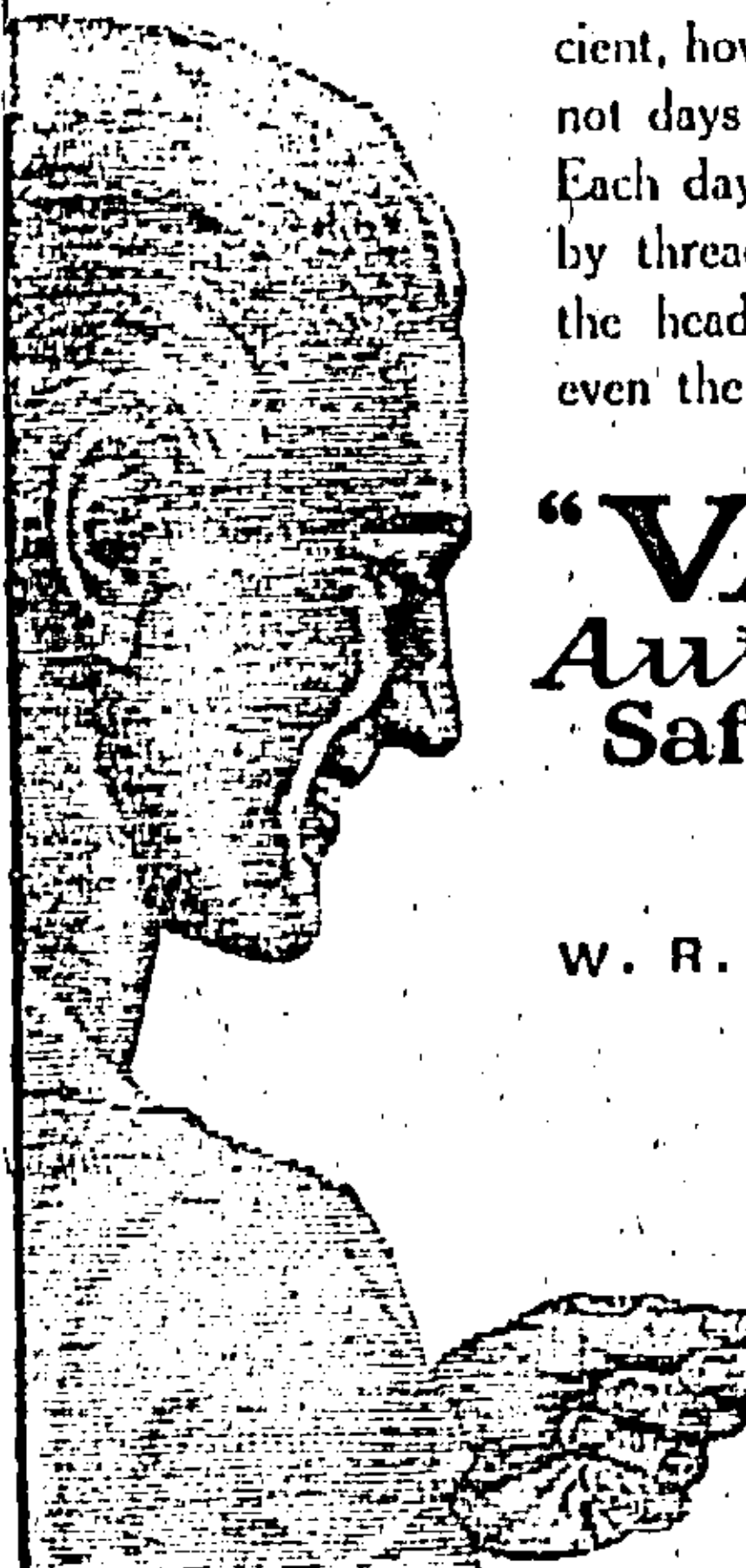
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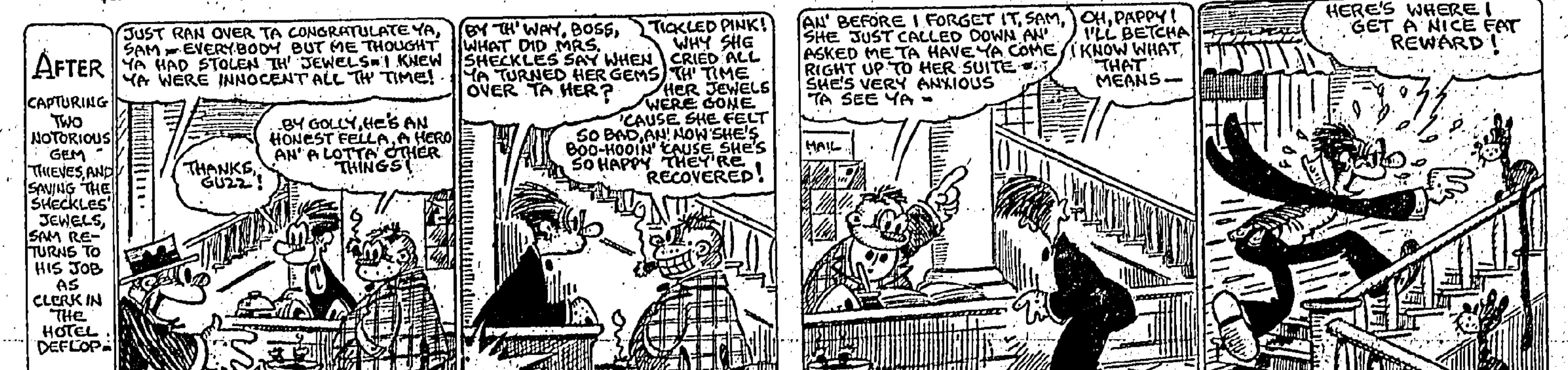
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"GOLLY, HE'S AN HONEST FELLA, A HERO AN' A LOTTA OTHER THINGS!"

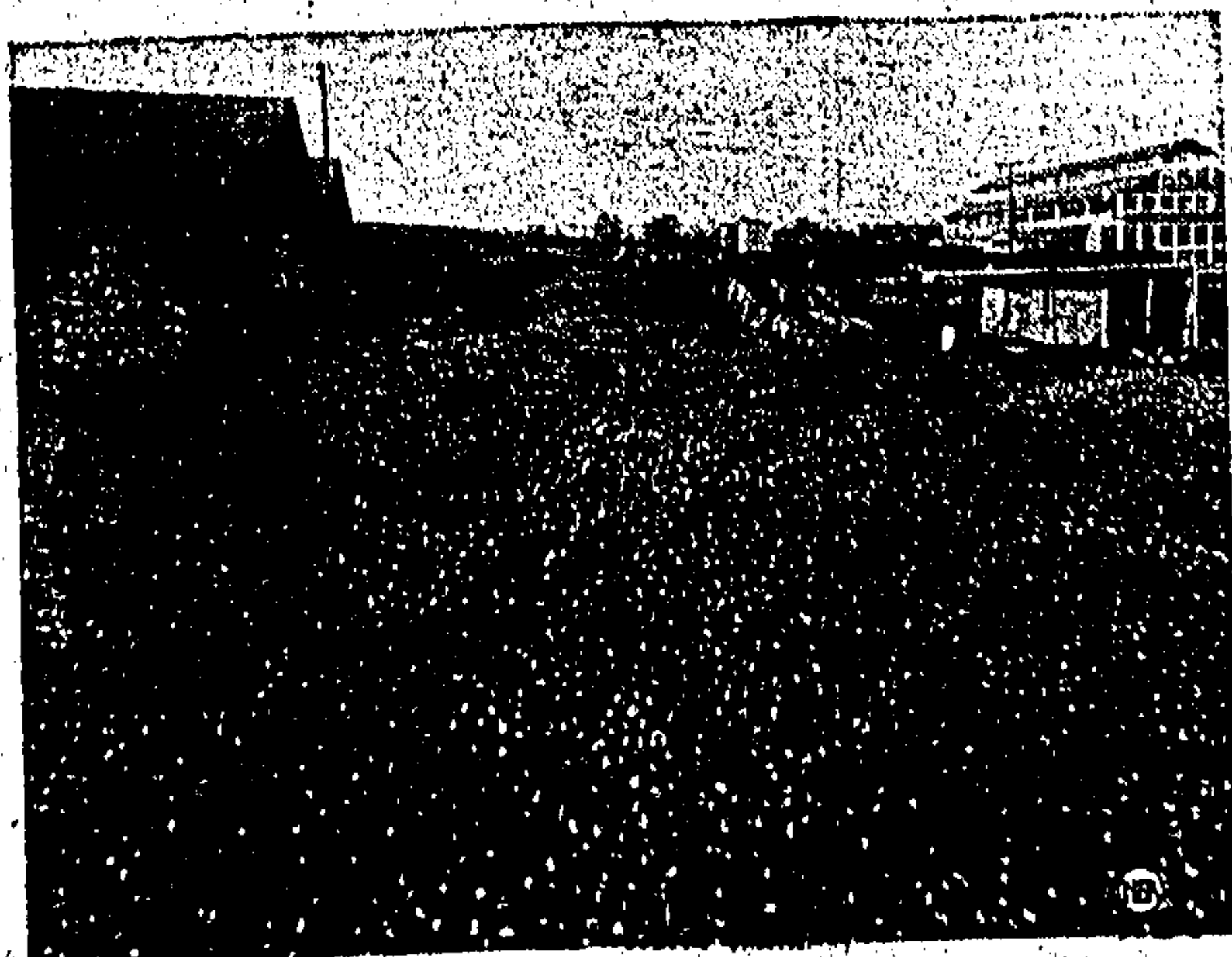
"THANKS, GULZ!"

"CAUSE SHE FELT SO BAD, AN' NOW SHE'S BO-HO! 'CAUSE SHE'S SO HAPPY THEY'RE RECOVERED!"

"AN' BEFORE I FORGET IT, SAM, SHE JUST CALLED DOWN AN' ASKED ME TA HAVE YA COME RIGHT UP TO HER SUITE—SHE'S VERY ANXIOUS TA SEE YA—"

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A group taken in Shanghai recently on the occasion of a big review of Jewish Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs and Girl Guides in honour of Mr. George Krishevsky, the well-known Zionist.



Miss Leonor Llorente, a Mexican society belle, who rumour has it will marry President Calles before his term of office expires. The announcement of the engagement has not been officially made.



A photograph in informal pose, showing two leading European statesmen, M. Briand, the French Foreign Secretary being at the right, and Senor de Leon, the Spanish Ambassador in Paris.



Mr. Alfred Smith, the defeated candidate for the U. S. Presidency taken on his arrival in New York after the result was announced.



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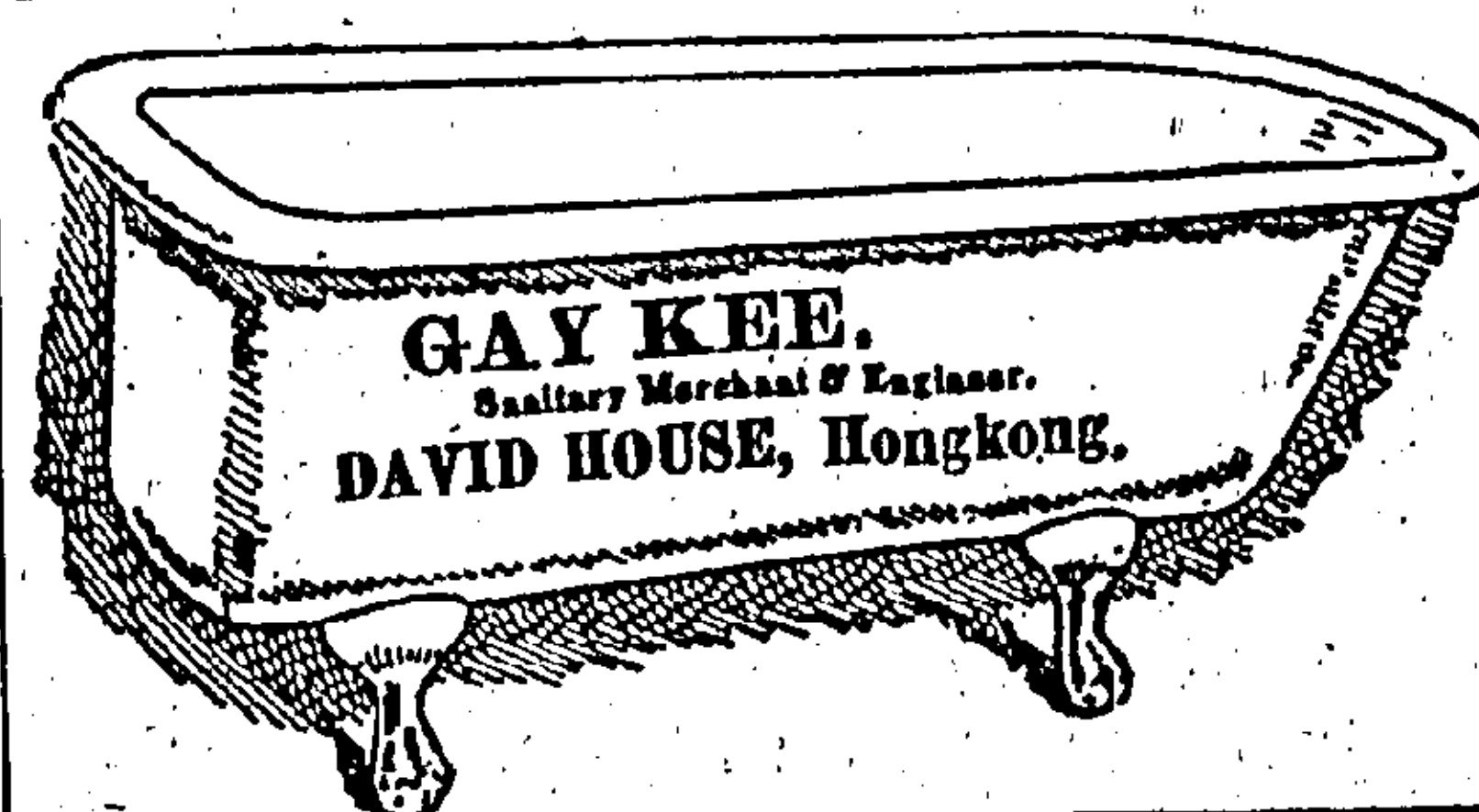
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344, 353, 371, 374, 376, 381
385, 411, 426, 427, 443, 444
445, 449, 450

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXHIBITION OF PEARLS.—Mr. Kodok arrives on the 14th to open his exhibition of pearls at Messrs. Komor & Komor. See advertisement on the 15th.

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C. F. JOHNSTON,
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Kowloon and District,
York Building,
Hongkong, 13th December, 1928.

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A Public Band Concert will be given in the
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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 8th December, 1928.

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INWARD MAIL.

From	Per	Date
Europe via Negapatam (letters and parcels)	London 15th November	December 15.
Shanghai and Swatow	8th November	December 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai, and Europe via Siberia (London 23rd and 24th November)	President Monroe	December 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan and Shanghai	President Pierce	December 17.
Manila	President Madison	December 17.
Straits	Troellian	November 17.
Shanghai	Porthos	December 18.
Japan	Sado Maru	December 18.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Asia	December 20.
Australia and Manila	Aki Maru	December 20.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	December 21.

OUTWARD MAIL.

Per	Date and Time.
Carmarthenshire Fri.	Dec. 14, 10 a.m.
Shanghai	Change
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Registration Dec. 14, 9.45 a.m. Letters ... Dec. 14, 10.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 25th Dec.)
Haiphong	Tonkin ... Fri., Dec. 14, 1.30 p.m.
Port Bayard	Pootye ... Fri., Dec. 14, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching ... Fri., Dec. 14, 3 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong So ... Fri., Dec. 14, 4 p.m.
Formosa	Renschild ... Fri., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Pakhoi via Hoihow	Raymond Poincare ... Fri., Dec. 14, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kamo Maru ... Sat., Dec. 15, 10 a.m. Reg. ... 14, 4.30 p.m. Letters ... 15, 9 a.m. G. P. O. ... 15, 10 a.m.

Per	Date and Time.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir ... Sat., Dec. 15, 10 a.m. Parcels ... 14, 4.30 p.m. Reg. ... 15, 9 a.m. Letters ... 15, 10 a.m. G. P. O. ... 15, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 12th Jan. 1929.)

Per	Date and Time.
Haiphong and Haiphong	Kwangchow ... Sat., Dec. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Chekiang ... Sat., Dec. 15, 10 a.m.
Kiungchow	... Sat., Dec. 15, 8.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Monroe ... Sat., Dec. 15, 6 p.m.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Limchow ... Sun., Dec. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Kiangsu	... Sun., Dec. 16, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru ... Sun., Dec. 16, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang ... Mon., Dec. 17, 10 a.m.

Per	Date and Time.
Swatow	Hydrangea ... Mon., Dec. 17, 2.30 p.m.
Japan	Ginyo Maru ... Tues., Dec. 18, 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and S. America	President Madison ... Tues., Dec. 18, 10 a.m.
"Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia"	Parcels ... 17, 5 p.m. Reg. ... 18, 9.45 a.m. Letters ... 18, 10.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 9th Jan.)

Per	Date and Time.
Singapore, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Porthos ... Tues., Dec. 18, 10 a.m. Registration ... 10 a.m. Letters ... 11 p.m. G. P. O. ... 12.45 p.m. Registration ... 1.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 18th January, 1929.)

Per	Date and Time.
Amoy	Shantung ... Tues., Dec. 18, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning ... Tues., Dec. 18, 2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Pierce Tows, Dec. 18, 4.30 p.m.

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For Mothers.

TREATING CHILDREN UNFAIRLY.

"He knows he's going," said a mother the other day of her little three-years-old son, "and I've told him that I can't be with him. But they are going to make him better, and then he will be able to play like other little boys."

This brave, sensible woman, had to send her baby away from her to an open-air home to be cured of a tubercular complaint. But instead of subjecting the child to the torture of being left there alone with no explanation at all (as many mothers have done under similar circumstances), she had sensibly warned him beforehand and so forearmed him.

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Treat a Child Reasonably.

A child should be taught that your word is always to be relied upon, that you have never failed

him yet, and, to the best of your ability, you never mean to fail him. You will then find that you will get a corresponding faithfulness and reliance in the word of the child to you.

A parent once took her child to the photographer's against the child's will. "Why, it doesn't hurt you, dear," said the surprised parent; "you just stand in front of the camera and it is over in a minute." "Yes, mummy," said the sobbing child, "but that's what you said when you took me to the dentist's."

I don't know the end of the story, but if the cap fits, wear it.

The New Cloche.

GOES WITH ALL KINDS OF SUITS.

Will women ever really desert the cloche? There are those who hold that there is nothing that suits a woman so well as does this type of hat, which shields the face and eyes so softly and kindly, and lends such a delicate air of charm. But there are many types of cloche, and there is a new kind which most fashionable women favour to-day.

Fitting closely to the head, and round the nape of the neck, this little cloche, created about a month ago, has already had a vogue which is not at all extraordinary, when one thinks how well it goes with all kinds of frocks and suits.

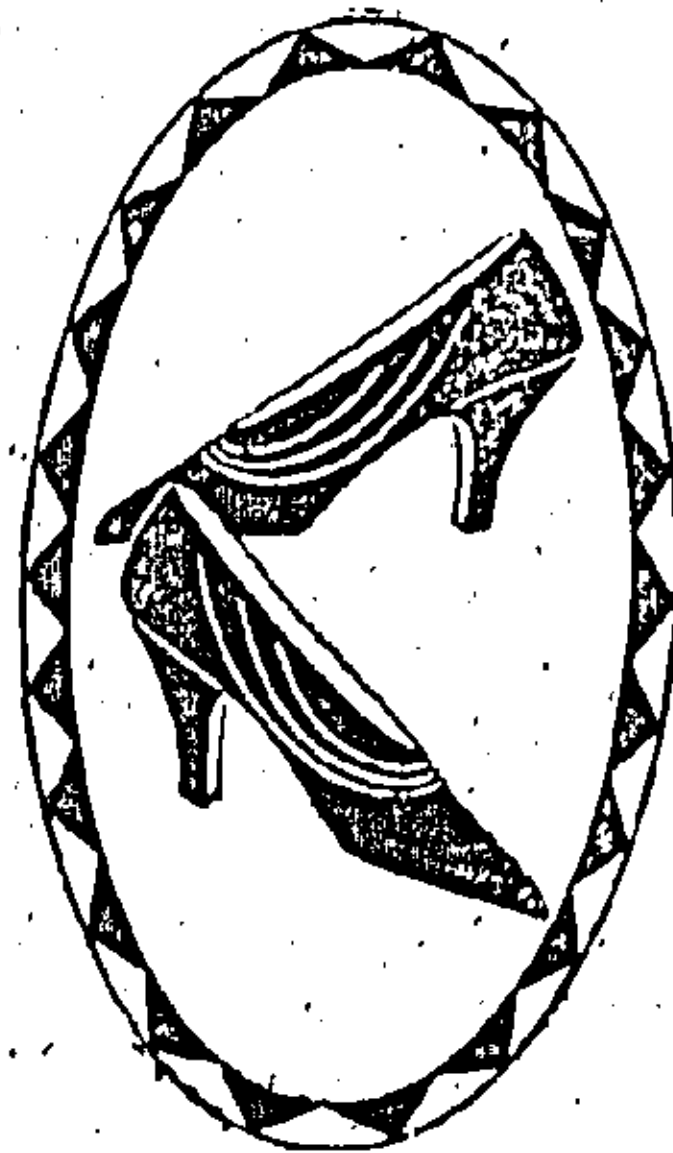
The latest model is trimmed with quick incrustations of silk laurel leaves, which help to accentuate the depths of the sides, and give an air of chic which one rarely sees.

Then there are hats combining felt and velvet. These have the graceful lines and simple trimmings which mark all Paris hats. And, as everybody knows, there is nothing more difficult to attain than simplicity and gracefulness!

Some of the latest autumn models are particularly interesting, for although women have definitely refused to wear hats with very large brims, they are ready and willing to wear hats of medium size, with just a suggestion of width at each side, and which fit closely on shingled heads. These the modistes are making to perfection, very often creating new lines, and new curves which are very pretty.

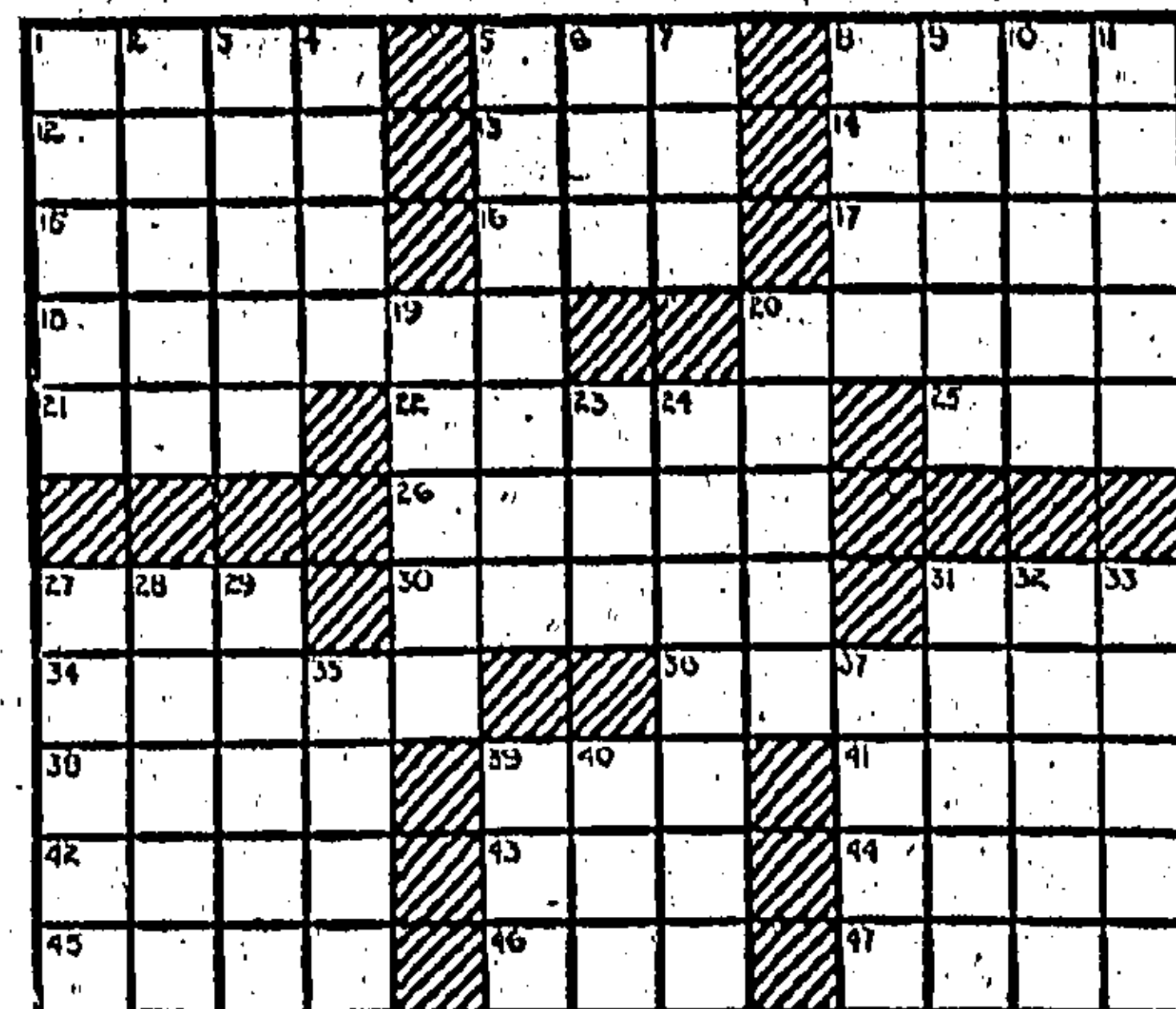
With regard to trimmings, incrustations, feathers, and bows, cunningly arranged, are among the varieties seen. They are never intrusive never too conspicuous, and always marked by an excellent taste which is appreciated by those in the know.

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 - Fibre from the century plant.
 - Related on the mother's side.
 - Rescued.
 - Lair of a wild beast.
 - Parrot.
 - Before.
 - To make amends.
 - To stroke lightly.
 - Nodule of stone lined with crystal.
 - Cry for help at sea.
 - Child's glass marble.
 - Type of printing.
 - Garden tool.
 - By.
 - Story.
 - Level.
 - Since.
 - Kiln.
 - To deliver.
 - To put on.
 - Officious.
- Vertical**
- Subdued.
 - To place in line.
 - Species of hickory.
 - Chair.
 - Platted.
 - Implement for rowing.
 - Reverential fear.
 - Bark of the paper mulberry.
 - Swarming.
 - To provide food.
 - Craft.
 - Idol.
 - Sugary.
 - Cry of a dove.
 - Firedog.
 - Peels.
 - Common century plant.
 - Solaced.
 - Serf.
 - Coat of collatin.
 - Perfume.
 - To care for.
 - On top of.
 - Tablet.
 - Self.

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The Club were the more aggressive, but the weight of the sailors prevented the local side from doing very much in the earlier part of the match. Despite the fact that they started with thirteen men, the Club were able to score a try against the Navy early in the game. The try was the result of a fine effort by Goldman.

The Club were at full strength shortly after this. Wales scored for them within a few minutes. Scott converting the try. Just before the interval Wales increased the lead by adding three more points. At half time the score was 11-0 in favour of the Club.

On resuming, the Club scored almost within the first minute, but the angle being awkward, full points were not obtained. On six other occasions, the Club managed to cross the sailors' defence, and this resulted in their obtaining no fewer than six tries and a goal in the second half. The sailors were playing a faulty game and displayed a sad lack of understanding, whilst on the other hand, the Club forwards and three-quarters combined well.

The final score of 34 to nil in favour of the Club, describes the run of the play.

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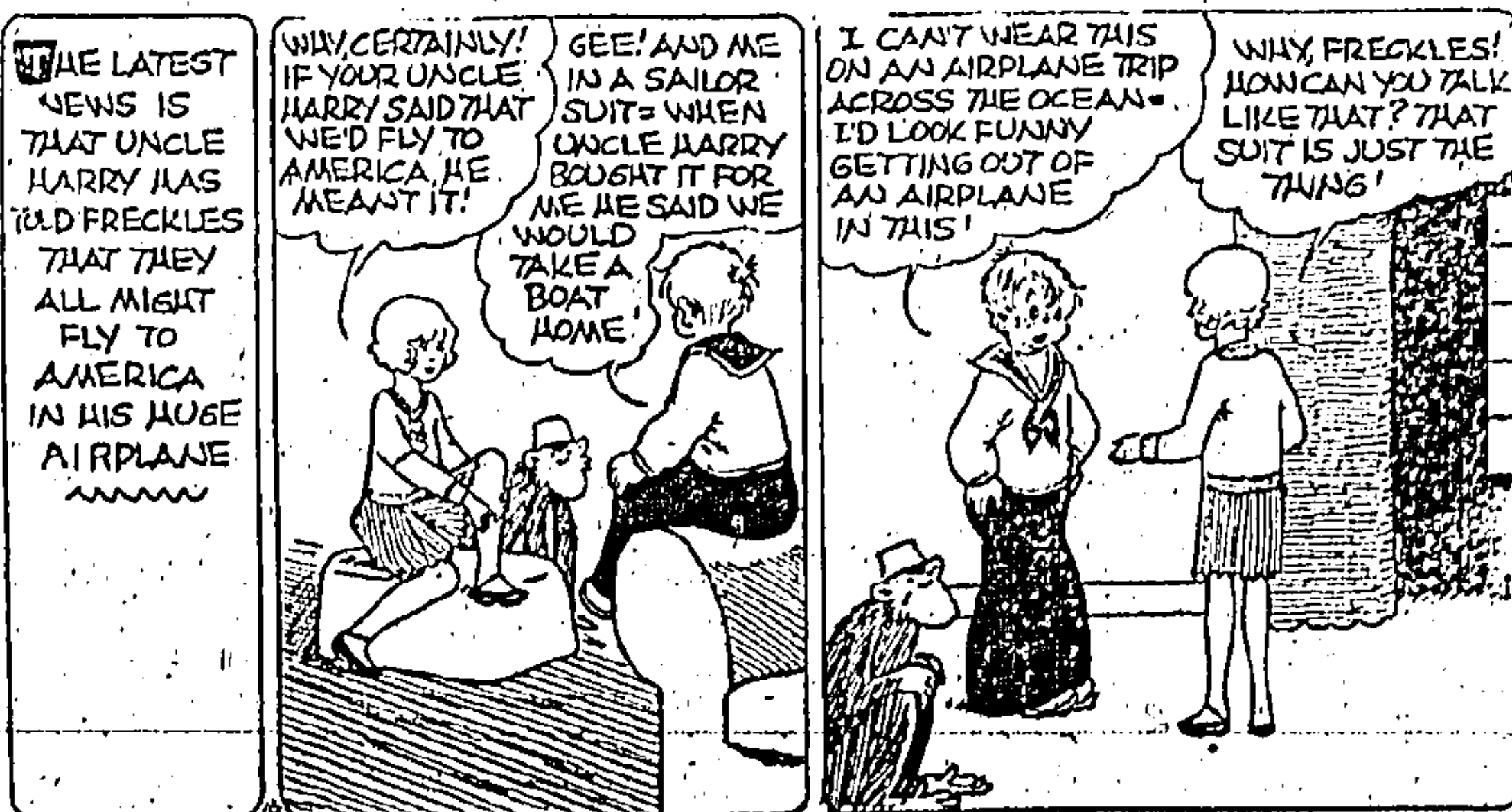
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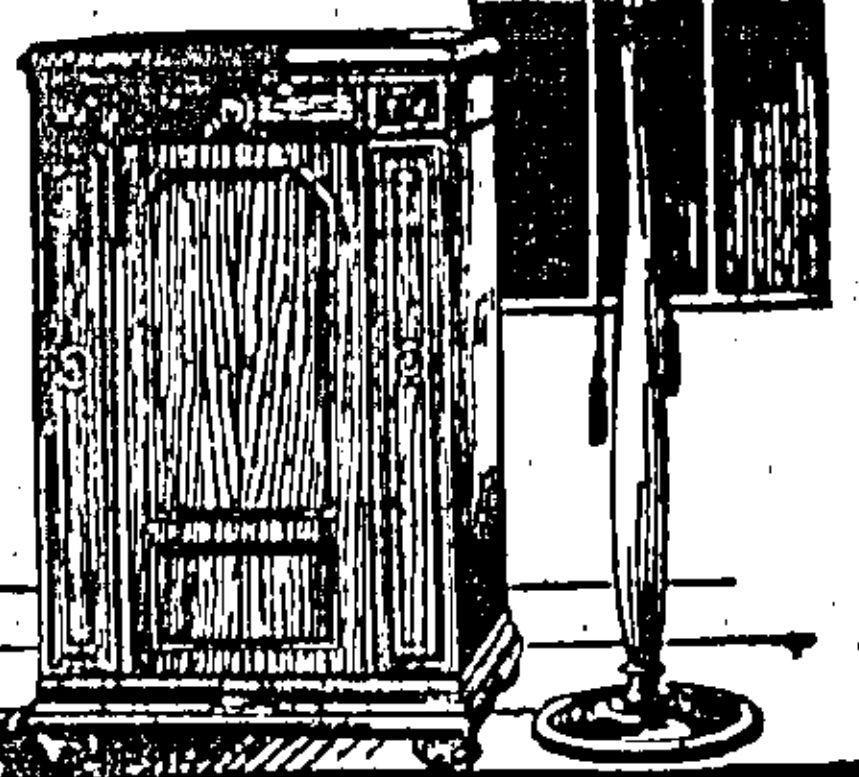


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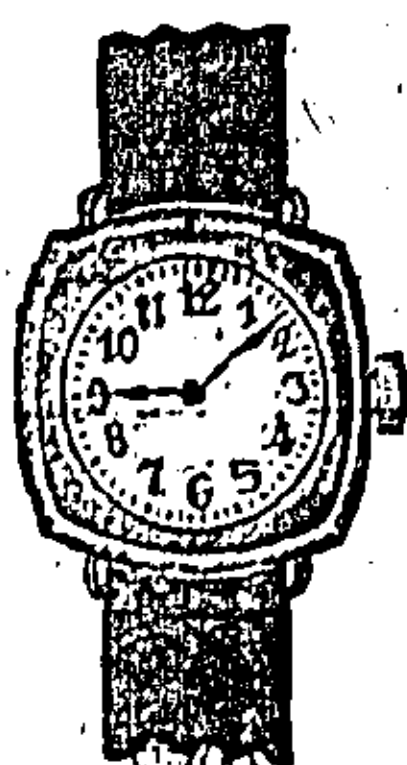
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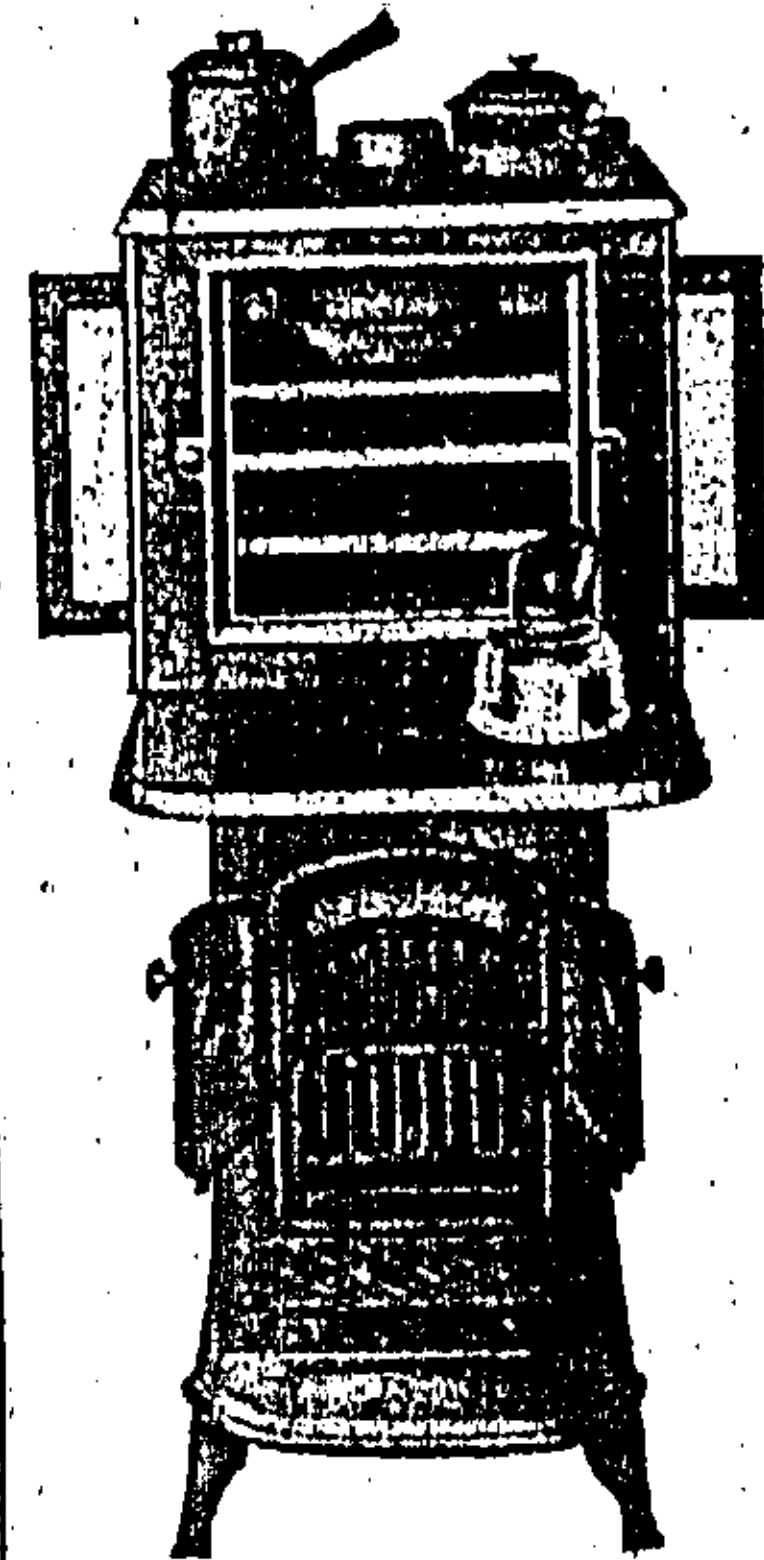
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THE OPIUM SCANDAL.

No new developments in connexion with the Shanghai opium scandal have been forthcoming during the past few days, and there seems a danger that the whole matter may be dropped. Shanghai newspapers to hand give much prominence to the affair, and it is generally conceded that nearly all the important military groups are involved, but the suggestion is thrown out that if any effort is made to enforce the anti-opium laws with strictness, even warfare might result. On the other hand, the mere dismissal of a few police officials is not regarded as being sufficient to smooth over the affair, and there are insistent demands by various organisations that justice should be done, no matter who are involved in the affair. The Nanking Chamber of Commerce, for example, petitions that severe punishment be meted out to the culprits, adding that "this case is a humiliation to the nation, and, if not properly settled, will not only make us appear contemptible in the eyes of the Imperialists, but will also make it harder for the Government to fulfil the wishes of our late leader."

Some attempt has been made to fasten the blame on to the crew of the China Merchants steamer Kiangnan, which brought to Shanghai the consignment which has created all the trouble. But, as a contemporary points out, whilst the conduct of such of these men who might have been engaged in smuggling is reprehensible, the guiltiness of poor men yielding to temptation to make a bit of extra money is nothing compared to that of those much higher up who are concerned in the scandal. The more is this so when we remember that they see opium sold without concealment under military "shop" in Hankow and the open trading in the drug up and down the Yangtze, and under military control. The fuss made over the officers and crew of the Kiangnan is merely a clumsy device of the most transparent sort to distract attention from those who are really guilty. Foreigners in the Yangtze trade have expressed less surprise at the discovery of the opium than at the pious astonishment shown by Chinese officials that such things should be taking place. It is notorious, they say, that opium is smuggled from Hankow to Shanghai in regular consignments, whilst in Hankow two brands are easily

obtainable—that which bears the official chop of the military for sale in the streets, and that which has been chopped for export. Moreover, a special ship plies between Hankow and Ichang carrying opium for the military, who derive a big revenue from this source.

The point that arises out of these facts is that it should be quite an easy matter to discover who sent the opium to Shanghai, to whom it belonged, and to whom it was in fact consigned. If these issues were probed to the bottom there cannot be the slightest doubt that important military leaders would be implicated, but instead of the real truth being sought, there appears to be a conspiracy of silence, in order that the guilty may be shielded. However, apart from the particular case which has caused all the trouble, this scandal has at any rate directed attention to the close connexion of the military with the opium trade, and if the National Government wants to convince the world that it is sincere in its anti-opium declarations, it will take good care that official association with the traffic is once and for all put a stop to.

Sino-British Amity.

The negotiations now proceeding between Sir Miles Lampson and Dr. C. T. Wang in Nanking are almost certain to lead to the conclusion of a new tariff treaty, restoring to China complete freedom in the matter of tariff regulation so far as the independent action of any one of the foreign Powers is able to do so. It matters little that the abandonment of the restrictions has been presumed upon; Britain has officially acknowledged China's right to tariff autonomy since 1926, and we are not likely to raise difficulties at this juncture. The only hitch so far has been one of detail, Sir Miles desiring that the language of the Treaty should be a little more explicit than that contained in the Sino-American Treaty.

More important, perhaps, is the fact that the conclusion of the tariff agreement involves *de jure* recognition of the National Government of China. There may be opinion still existing that the present Government is not as secure as it might be, but the test of stability is an extraordinarily difficult one to apply in China, and on the whole, we feel the Nationalists have earned recognition. More enterprise has been exhibited in the foreign field than in restoring domestic harmony, but even in this latter connexion, the politicians at Nanking seem to have been proceeding on certain well-defined lines which may eventually lead to success. China is really a new-born State, and is exhibiting the characteristics of youth, but the powers of its politicians appear to be growing, and perhaps we shall soon see China's movements become better co-ordinated, more formal and authentic, and its national strength more impressive. She can hardly expect, as she seems to, the sudden abolition of all the so-called unequal treaties, but such revision as will most quickly contribute to domestic restoration should be freely granted. As Dr. C. T. Wang said in a speech at the British Chamber of Commerce and China Association in Shanghai last night, the National Government is faced with the immense task of co-ordinating modern thought and conditions with a social system which took root more than four thousand years ago. They will need all the impetus which comes from encouragement for successful accomplishment.

STOLEN RICE.

SAMPAN MAN SENT TO PRISON.

Whilst on patrol in a police launch off Wanchai yesterday evening, Sergeant Bower stopped a sampan, and, on searching the craft, found 600 pounds of rice concealed beneath the deck boards. When charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, the master of the sampan stated that the rice had been given to him by some customers who had been unable to pay for their fare.

The explanation was not accepted, and his Worship registered a conviction. Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

DAY BY DAY.

THE AMBITIOUS DECEIVE THEMSELVES WHEN THEY PROPOSE AN END TO THEIR AMBITION, FOR THAT END, WHEN ATTAINED, BECOMES A MEANS.—*Rocheffoucauld.*

H.M.S. Suffolk arrived at Nanking on Thursday from Wosung.

Ship movements reported this morning include the docking of s.s. Nevada at Talkoo.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows seven further cases of small-pox, five of which were from Kowloon districts.

The s.s. Tijmanock, arriving from Straits ports with 393 deck passengers, reports the death of one en route from beri-beri.

Government passengers leaving for Home by the s.s. Kashmir tomorrow include Mr. H. A. Taylor, of the Imports and Exports Department.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. J. R. Soares, residing at No. 11, Rensselaer Arcade, Hongkong, to Miss B. J. Dos Santos, of "Mignon," Wanchai.

Special Dinner Dances will be held at the King Edward Hotel on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. It is advisable to make reservations as early as possible.

A Notice to Mariners issued by the Harbour Office of yesterday is to the effect that a conical whistling buoy has been sighted in Latitude 18.48 N., Longitude 111.43 E. The authority quoted is the master of the s.s. Tjikarang.

That the New Year's Eve Carnival to be held at Repulse Bay Hotel will be another great success is indicated by an announcement, appearing elsewhere in this issue, that no further reservations can be made, all available accommodation being booked up.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave a fair movement of vessels, with practically double the number of departures than arrivals. Tonnage was low, as were inward freights, but through registries were good. There were 11 arrivals and 21 departures, British holding top place with four and 10 respectively, the total of cargo for these being in the region of 13,000 tons. At 9 a.m. there were 66 vessels in port, of which 29 were British.

Last evening's musicale at the Helena May Institute drew a large audience, which thoroughly enjoyed the novel and attractive programme arranged by Mrs. Hargreaves-Browne. Mainly designed for the children, it was nevertheless of such merit and excellence as to make a general appeal. The pianoforte solos of Mrs. Hargreaves-Browne were played with all the skill we have come to associate with her work, whilst Mrs. Gellum's songs were all delightful. The recitations by Miss Acheson were charmingly given, and a word of special praise must be added regarding the very clever manner in which the children in the French nursery rhymes did their part.

ADULTERATED WINE?

SHOP MANAGER CHARGED AT KOWLOON.

The hearing of the charge against the manager of the Man Loi Wines and Spirits shop, of No. 654 Shanghai Street, who is charged in connexion with the adulteration of liquor, was commenced before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The charges against the defendant are that he dealt in adulterated liquor; sold adulterated liquor to the Fuk Cheung Shop of Percival Street; and had in his possession certain quantities of dutiable liquor.

Mr. A. H. Taylor appeared on behalf of the Revenue Department, and Mr. M. K. Lo represented the defendant.

The facts of the case, according to Mr. Taylor, were that R. O. O'Neill, during the course of his duties, found a jar of rice Sam Ching wine at the Fuk Cheung Shop. The spirit was claimed to have been purchased from the defendants and on it being tested it was found to be of 29 per cent. alcohol. The duty paid according to the invoice was \$1.10, instead of being \$1.40 which would have been assessed on wine of that strength.

This discovery led to a visit to the defendant's shop where various quantities of adulterated liquor were found, as well as several jars of dutiable liquor. As a result of this, the present proceedings were taken.

The case is proceeding.

TROOPSHIP STABBING AFFRAY.

K.O.S.B. PRIVATE AGAIN REMANDED.

There being no further news of the injured man, Private James Boyle, of the K.O.S.B., who is charged with attempted murder of one Sergeant Karr of the same regiment on board the troopship Somersetshire, was remanded at the Central Magistracy this morning for a further week.

Detective Inspector Lane, prosecuting, informed his Worship that the military authorities had sent a cable asking for information about the Sergeant, but had not received a reply.

The alleged stabbing, it will be recalled, was described by several soldiers who were called before Mr. R. E. Lindsell to give evidence.

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Variety Note of Topical Pictures.

Tomorrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement will again be noteworthy for the variety of its topical pictures, all of which will be found of great interest.

In the realm of sport there will be photographs taken at the annual lawn bowls match between the St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies; the anniversary celebration by the German Tennis Club at King's Park; the hockey match between Hongkong and Kowloon ladies; and the Army sports at Lawu camp.

Of amateur theatricals, pictures will appear of the Philharmonic Society's production of "Tom Jones," as well as of the Canton Amateur Dramatic Club's presentation of "A Pair of Silk Stockings." The opening of the new Majestic Cinema at Kowloon will also be shown.

Other pictures will include the St. Vincent de Paul Society's Fete; the Morrison Hall Extension at the University; the farewell gathering to Capt. and Mrs. Mitchell on board the steamer Fatshan; the laying of a wreath on the Cenotaph by officials of the St. Andrew's Society; and some interesting photographs taken at the Defence Corps camp.

ence for the Crown some three weeks ago. The Somersetshire was on her way East from Home and the stabbing is said to have occurred on October 20, just before the vessel's arrival at Colombo. The condition of the Sergeant after the affray was such that he had to be removed to hospital at Colombo.

Originally, it was anticipated that the Sergeant would be able to proceed to Hongkong to give evidence, as the information which the authorities received was that he was on the road to recovery. A fortnight ago, however, news was received to the effect that the injured man had taken a turn for the worse, since when no further news has been received by the local authorities.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BAZAAR.

FANCY ARTICLE STALL RAFFLE.

The 50 cents raffle at the Fancy Article Stall at the St. Vincent de Paul Society's bazaar resulted as follows:

1st Prize.—Ticket No. 2, won by Rev. P. H. Taggart.
2nd Prize.—Ticket No. 17, won by Tuti Noronha.
3rd Prize.—Ticket No. 42, won by Miss M. Loureho.
4th Prize.—Ticket No. 144, won by A. Chisholm Batters.
5th Prize.—Ticket No. 168, won by P. H. Larken.
6th Prize.—Ticket No. 106, won by E. Alves.
7th Prize.—Ticket No. 146, won by K. M. Young.
8th Prize.—Ticket No. 15, won by Aurea Sousa.
9th Prize.—Ticket No. 145, won by K. M. Young.
10th Prize.—Ticket No. 185, won by Messy Alves.

The \$22 hat presented by the Dolly Varden House was won by Mrs. A. J. Kinchin, and the diamond ring which was hidden in the Surprise Cake was won by the Rev. Father Riganti.

The Very Idea!

Sir Thomas Beecham recently conducted the first concert of the British Broadcasting Corporation's new season of symphony concerts to be given at the Queen's Hall. Two years ago Sir Thomas Beecham attributed the decline of music to the prevalence of broadcasting and the fact that the Government had not subsidized any national orchestra or opera house. The beautiful human voice and the marvellous fabric of an orchestra such as could be heard at Queen's Hall, he said, sounded by wireless like "the chattering and whining of a lot of goblins." Recently friendly discussions took place between the British Broadcasting Company and Sir Thomas in connexion with the scheme to form a first class orchestra whose members shall give their exclusive services under his conductorship at Queen's Hall, in the suburbs and at the Albert Hall.

The late Lord Strathclyde was a keen golfer and he frequently told this story against himself.

On one occasion he was talking with a caddy and recalled having played a certain professional when last on those links, adding, "He was a grand player!"

"Aye," said the caddy, "but ye could beat him noo."

"Do you really think so?" said the great lawyer, gratified at the seeming compliment to his progress.

"Aye," drawled the lad, "he's deid."

(There are signs that ditties of the "Wanna Go Back" type are winning in popularity.)

Oh, I gotta go back to a gim-crack shack

In the heart of South Dakota, But I'd let you know that the onehorse show

Don't please me one iota. I've sure grown wise to the song-stuff guys

Who've made me swell the traffic.

But when this trip's through I shall quit that crew And their chorus geographic. Then I'll sing no more Kentucky's shore

Or the cabin in Wyoming, But I'll go real strong with a "get there" song

In praise of stay-at-homeing.

"I remember everything quite well. You do not have the pleasure of being in a motor-car accident every day."—A witness at Bow County Court.

Witness at Clerkenwell: I stood downstairs and counted 10 men going up to the party, and every one had a crate of bottles of beer.

Witness at Bow County Court: I am out of work, over head and ears in debt, and under the doctor.

"How many times am I to be sworn at before I retaliate?"—A woman at Bow County Court.

Solicitor at Willesden: Why did you not turn your car?

Witness: There was not room.

Solicitor: But it was only a baby car and you might have lifted it round.

Darkness was falling over the picturesque Scottish highlands, and the three girls who were enjoying the view from the top of the creaking stage-coach began to shiver in the evening breeze.

"I say!" called the driver to the passengers below, "is there a Mackintosh down there big enough to keep three young ladies warm?"

"No," came an eager voice from a head poked out of the window, "but there's a big MacPherson down here that's willin' to try!"

The film director was making a thriller, and had been working very hard to get some real action into it.

Finally, after one scene, he turned from the brink of a cliff, mopped his brow, and glanced down at a dummy made of straw and old clothes. "Good heaven!" he shouted, "what was it we threw over the cliff?"

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Dec. 18.
Paris	124.15
New York	4.95%
Brussels	34.69
Geneva	25.19
Amsterdam	12.07%
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.85%
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.18
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	84.47%
Prague	138%
Helsingfors	102%
Madrid	29.75
Lisbon	111
Bombay	1/0.1/12
Athens	87%
Bucharest	807%
Rio	5%
Buenos Aires	47%
Shanghai	2/7
Hongkong	2/0%
Yokohama	1/10.1/12
Silver (spot)	23.2/16
Silver (forward)	23%

—British Wireless.

BIG RECLAMATION SCHEME.**CANTON PLANS TO SPEND OVER MILLION DOLLARS.****DUTCH FOLLY WORK.**

Since the proposed scheme drawn up by the Canton Bureau of Public Works for reclaiming part of the Canton River along the Dutch Folly was submitted to the Provincial Government, through the Municipality, and was accordingly kept on record, public attention has been drawn to the matter, and Mr. Teo Yuen-wah, Head of the Bureau of Public Works has now nominated Messrs. Leung Kai-shou and Ng Chuk-yuen, two experts attached to his office, as special men for drafting the details and plans covering the whole scheme.

It has been decided to carry out the scheme in three different stages, viz: (1) To build a stone embankment along the river; (2) To fill up the reclamation with mud; and (3) To have suitable roads in the area reclaimed.

It has also been proposed that the whole matter be taken up by different contractors, and worked in different sections, the contractors being checked off with each other thereby encouraging satisfactory results. Much time will also be saved in this way.

The cost of the scheme, when completed, will be in the neighbourhood of \$1,400,000 which is to be raised by the Bureau of Public Works in conjunction with the Bureau of Finance. It is anticipated that it will not be long before the filling up of this part of the river is started.—Canton Gazette.

WIRELESS BROADCAST.**THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.**

11.50 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. British Official Wireless Press. Demonstration Programme. Records, Chinese and European Music.

1.48 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. Demonstration Programme.

7.48 p.m. Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. Evening Programme. (Victor and H.M.V. Records).

"Oh Lucindy." The Revelers.

"Oh Man River." The Revelers.

"After I've Called You Sweetheart." Jesse Crawford.

"Just a Memory." Jesse Crawford.

"The Delaware's Farewell." Peter Dawson.

"Lorraine, Lorraine, Lorraine." Peter Dawson.

"My Angel." Jesse Crawford.

"Out of the Dawn." Jesse Crawford.

"Serenade." Amelita Galli-Carci.

"Prison Song." Amelita Galli-Carci.

"Pugue in D Major." Amelita Galli-Carci.

"Organ solo by W. G. Alcock, M.V.O." Captain Stratton's Pancy.

"Two Old Tramps." Peter Dawson.

"Shepherd's Hey." Peter Dawson.

"Royal Opera Orch. Covent Garden." Royal Opera Orch. Covent Garden.

"Molly on the Shore." Royal Opera Orch. Covent Garden.

"One Way Street." De Groot and Piccadilly Orch.

"Midnight Bells." De Groot and Piccadilly Orch.

"Havanna." De Groot and Piccadilly Orch.

"Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards." "Liberty Bell." Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

"The Beggar Student." Selections. Marek Weber and his orchestra.

"So this is Love." New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Will-O-The-Whisper." New Mayfair Orchestra.

10 p.m. British Official Wireless Press.

"Southern Melodies Waltz." Walter Kolomojka's Honoluluans.

"Martha Overture." Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Songs of Ireland." Victor Mixed Chorus.

"Songs of Scotland." Victor Mixed Chorus.

"Mississippi Suite." (A Tone Journey) Paul Whiteman.

"Gypsy Baron." Kauffmann's Orchestra.

"Bohème-Mi Chiamono Mimì." Lucien Bori.

"Madame Butterfly-Un Bel Di Vedremo." Lucien Bori.

"Ave Maria." Rosa Ponselle.

"Elegia." Rosa Ponselle.

10.30 p.m. Close down.

HOCKEY.**ST. ANDREW'S YOUNG MEN TO PLAY THE LADIES.**

The following will represent the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Club on Saturday in a hockey match against the Hongkong Ladies Hockey Club on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground at King's Park at 3.30 p.m.—T. S. D. Whitley (Capt.), R. Baldwin, F. Angus, E. H. P. White, C. C. Francis, J. King, W. Brown, R. Wong, G. Lim, F. Wong and S. MacNider.

The Y.M.C.A. second eleven won their first hockey match of the season yesterday, when they met and defeated the University seconds at King's Park by three goals to two.

The following ladies have been chosen to represent the Hongkong Ladies Hockey Club in the match against the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club, at King's Park on Saturday afternoon:—Misses M. B. Bird, B. Laing, M. Wallace, E. O'Hagan, E. R. Bell, B. Taylor, I. C. Bell, M. McNeillie, D. Stanton, M. Hansen, and Mrs. M. J. Jarvis.

MOTOR-CYCLE FOR HOME SECRETARY.**OLYMPIA EXHIBITORS' GIFT.**

The British motor-cycle industry has decided to present a motor-cycle to Sir William Joynton Hicks, the Home Secretary, who opened the International Cycle and Motor-Cycle Show at Olympia.

In performing the ceremony Sir William stated that while for many years he used to ride a push bicycle, so far he had never trusted himself to a motor-cycle.

The machine to be presented to Sir William will be one of the latest lightweight machines, which it is hoped he will accept.

Business at Olympia was brisk and all British firms reported having made satisfactory deals, particularly on the export side. Europe is demanding British made machines in large quantities, and on the first day one firm alone sold to the Continent, half its production for next year. The firm concerned are the makers of the Matchless motor-cycle, and they received orders from Norway, Denmark, and most other European States, for about 2200,000 worth of their machines. Many other firms have made similar arrangements.

The stand of another well-known firm of manufacturers attracted a great deal of attention because of the selection of brilliantly painted petrol tanks which were shown on it. Purchasers may select their own colour. It is even possible to have the tank painted according to one's own ideas, and some people selected club colours. I saw one tank finished in the Royal Air Force colours.

A REAL GIANT.

Jesse Adams, the Kokoma giant, who is 8 feet 2 inches in height. He is appearing with the Manila Shows.

"THE PATSY."**MARION DAVIES' LATEST COMEDY.**

Delightful Marion Davies, the star of many noteworthy comedy productions, returns to the screen at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday next in her latest screen success "The Patsy."

"Patsy" is a girl who, despite her many worries, persists in seeing humour in everything, even when she trades upon the feet of the man who loves when dancing. King Vidor who directed "The Big Parade" also directed this picture and introduces several unique situations replete with humour of his own particular type. An interesting feature of the film is the impersonation by Miss Davies of several well known movie stars including Pola Negri, Lillian Gish and Mae Murray, and these scenes are responsible for quite a few of the laughs which the picture contains. An excellent cast appears in support of the star and includes, among others, such well known players as Lawrence Gray, Jane Winton and Marie Dressler.

21 YEARS AGO.**SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.**

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended December 13th, 1907.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 0 1/2d.

A party of Kowloon sportsmen went out in search of two tigers reported to have been seen roaming the hillsides, and they came back with a report that one had been shot, but its body could not be found.

The splitting habit was mentioned at a meeting of the Sanitary Board, when, in reply to questions, the Medical Officer gave it as his opinion that it was accountable to some extent for the spread of disease.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden resigned the Hon. Secretaryship of the Church Body, and was succeeded by Mr. A. Bryer.

SHANGHAI STRIKE FEVER.**NO LESS THAN TWENTY-TWO LAST MONTH.****AFFECT 7,000 WORKERS.**

There were no less than 22 strikes in Shanghai last month, according to statistics published by the Bureau of Labour Statistics, affecting 7,471 workers. With the exception of seven instances, all the strikes were against Chinese managements. Generally speaking, most of the strikes were on account of demands for better treatment and wage misunderstandings between the employers and the employees, and demands for reduction of working hours.

Up to the end of the month, 10 cases were settled. In the case of the strike at the Pioneer Weaving Mill, the management agreed to adhere to its former decision regarding wages, and also to grant a rice allowance to all the workers. Furthermore the mill management

About Hong Kong**Do you know that—**

Two Judges and two juries sat at the first trial by jury in Hongkong?

This was on March 4th, 1844, the Sessions being held in a temporary building near Government House. The Governor, Sir Henry Pottinger, and the Lieutenant Governor, Major-General D'Aguilar, sat as Judges.

The trial was one in which a Filipino seaman was charged with the murder of a second officer. The Grand Jury returned a true bill, after which the Petty Jury found the prisoner guilty. The accused was sentenced to death.

undertook to pay the medical expenses of all workers injured while on duty.

Increased pay has been granted in the majority of cases in which strikes have been settled, an exception being the strike of workers in the Yuen Lai silk filatures. This has been settled in a most unusual fashion, the workers agreeing to the arrest of the ring-leaders of the strike and unconditional resumption of work. The Chung Hua Ironworks has given its men a bonus of 25 days' pay to induce them to return to work, and the foreign dressmakers have granted increases of from 5 to 15 per cent.

During the month, there was a strike at the Shanghai Gasworks, and the men have now returned to work having been granted an increase of two cents per capita per hour, beginning from December 1.

There were still three unsettled strikes in the Settlement at the end of last month including the silverware workers, Yue Wen printing works, and China Offset Printing Co.

OWED \$800,000 BY CHINA.**JAPANESE STATEMENT IN COURT.**

According to Mr. K. Todokara, the proprietor of the Tin Yau Taling Shi firm, No. 44, Praya East, the Chinese Government are indebted to him to the extent of about \$800,000, which amount he has not been able to collect.

Todokara made this statement to Mr. Justice Jackson in the Summary Court this morning, when appearing as the defendant in an action brought against the firm by the Yue Hee Company, Limited, China Building, for whom Mr. T. G. Bennett appeared.

The amount claimed was \$70, being rent for the Praya East premises for September and October, this year, at a rent of \$35 per month. There was a further claim for \$216, being the amount due on a Chinese borrowing note, dated July 1, this year.

In consenting to judgment, the defendant stated that the Chinese Government owed him \$800,000 which money he had not been able to obtain. In this connection he produced a letter and handed it to his Lordship, who did not read it but told Todokara to arrange matters with the plaintiff.

After judgment had been entered for the plaintiff on the claim with costs, the defendant applied for instalments, and his Lordship decided to hear the application tomorrow week in chambers.

MAJESTIC THEATRE.**FIRST NATIONAL FILMS TO BE SHOWN.**

First National pictures have not been shown in Hongkong or Kowloon for quite a long time, but at the Majestic Theatre picture-goers will again have an opportunity of seeing some of the stars whom they missed for so long.

"Chickie" is the first of a batch of First National films to be shown, and it will be screened from to-day until Sunday. Nine favourites are in the cast of "Chickie," including Dorothy Mackaill, Hobart Bosworth, John Dowers, Gladys Brockwell, Paul Nicholson, Myrtle Stedman, Olive Tell, Lora Sanderson and Louise Mackintosh. It is a story that brings tears and laughter, full of dramatic situations, suspense, comedy and pathos.

"Sweet Daddies," "Dancer of Paris" and "Naughty But Nice" are amongst others which will shortly be shown.

KOWLOON'S FIRST BANK.**TO BE OPENED IN THE NEW YEAR.**

We are informed that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is opening a Kowloon Sub-Agency with offices in the Peninsula Hotel on the 2nd January next, and that clients desirous of transferring Savings Bank or Current Accounts from the Hongkong office to the Kowloon Office may do so on or after that date.

The usual banking business will be transacted.

REGIMENTAL BOXING.**SOLDIER NOVICES BATTLE AT MURRAY BARRACKS.**

Although no outstanding talent came to light at the K.O.S.B. Regimental Boxing Tournament at Murray Barracks last night, the many contests produced a sporting entertainment.

There was a large attendance of troops supporting their particular favourites, while in the ringside seats were Colonel L. J. Gwynn, C.M.G., D.S.O., Major B. C. Lake, D.S.O., Major E. G. Miles, D.S.O., M.C., Captain and Adjutant A. G. Doble, Mr. R. M. Dyer, and practically all officers of the regiment, together with a fair number of ladies and other civilians.

The following officiated as referees, judges, and timekeepers.—Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, Capt. Preston, M.B.E., Lieut. A. H. Kelly, Messrs. A. Murdoch and H. G. Shelton.

The final result was a win for the Headquarters Wing, with 48 points, A and C Companies being next best with 28 points each.

Featherweights.

Private McGuire met Private Metigane in the first of the semi-finals, the former gaining the verdict on points after a bustling and fairly even contest.

The other semi-final was between Private Humble and Private Shan, Humble's experience aiding him in good stead, he being given the verdict in the second round.

The final saw Humble scoring easily from the bell and in the second round, McGuire, after a count of eight, came up to be saved by the gong. McGuire had no chance in the third and after being badly battered was retired by the referee.

Flyweights.

The opening bout was between Private McWhan and Private Thornton. The decision went to McWhan when the referee stopped the fight in the third round, when Thornton was hopelessly beaten.

Bansman Johnston gained the verdict against Private Christie, the referee again calling off the fight before the end of the third meeting.

The bandman's steady left was too much for McWhan, who went to the boards in the first round and was always retreating. After a featureless second round, both were lively in the third and without a knockout the verdict went to Johnston.

Light-Heavyweights.

Sergeant Hawkeett was given the verdict in the first round against Private Jameson.

Private Fanning disposed of Private Tait by a knockout to the point in the first round.

Private Fanning was adjudged to be unfit for further fighting on medical grounds, the unstarted fight being given to Sergt. Hawkeett.

Middleweights.

Corporal Frame and Private Freeman stood toe to toe and slogged each other without intercession in the semi-finals of the middleweights but Freeman had enough before the bell and gave up.

Private Woolley was paired with L/C Finlayson in the other semi-final and after an extremely good bout, Finlayson was given the honours.

As expected this final was a slogging match, with both punching to a standstill in the first round, Frame having the worst of it. Both were warned for laying on in the second and the sanguinary conflict continued without much on either side. Finlayson's efforts to box off were frustrated by Frame's rushing tactics. Both exchanged heavy blows in the third and were about used up at the bell. Finlayson was adjudged the winner.

Bantamweights.

Bandman McConnell soon had L/C Palmer going in the first of the semi-finals of the Bantams. After a splendid battle in which both scored heavily and cleanly, McConnell the best throughout gained a popular victory.

The fight between Private McDonald (substituting Private Porter, sick) and Private Stevens, provided the comedy element of the pair being the long and short of it. An unequal contest during which neither man was hurt, went to Stevens.

McConnell started off well but was handicapped by Steven's holding. McConnell forcing the fight in the second was generally kept off by Steven's reach and matters were fairly even to the third. Points came to McConnell at the final meeting and the decision in his favour was extremely popular.

Welterweights.

Private Spalding and Private Gillies met in the semi-finals at the weight, and Spalding went out in the first round to a low, but fair hit.

Drummer Scott and Piper Smith were the other pair and an extra round was called both men having made a brave show. Smith gained the decision after Scott had rushed his chances away.

Smith was no match for the two handed fighter Gillies and the referee stopped the fight at the end of the first round with Smith hopelessly outclassed.

Lightweights.

Drummer Sawyer went down in the first round to L/C Gordon after a battling half minute.

Private Fife and Private Boyer were in the semi-final fight. Boyer got the verdict after a tame display.

Points and Prices.

The final award of points was as follows:

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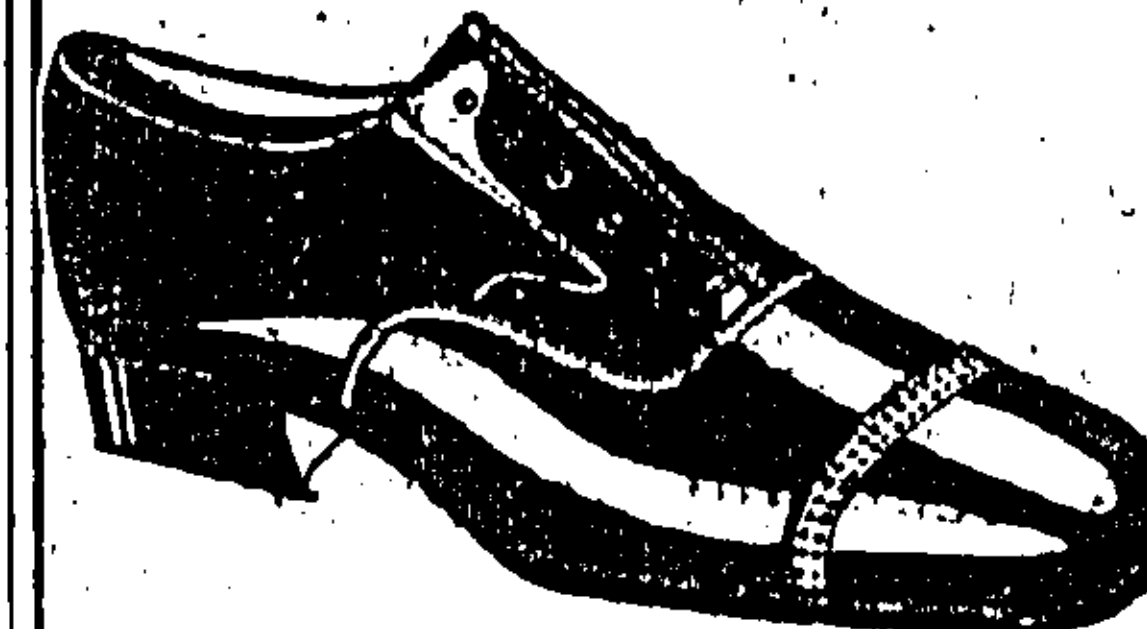
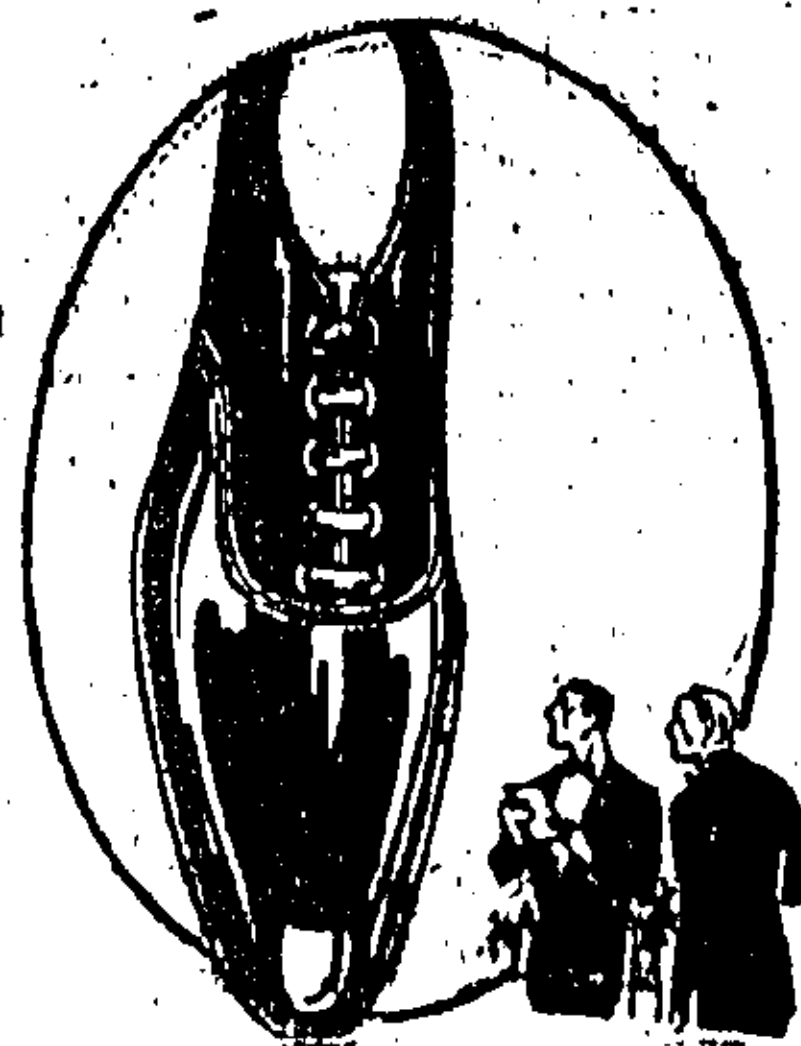
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THE LAI WAH CUP FINAL

BIG REPRESENTATIVE GAME TO-MORROW.

ARMY MEET CHINESE.

[By "Wanderer."]

One of the premier representative games of the season, which should provide some indication for the Interport selection committee, is being played on the Club ground to-morrow, the final of the Lai Wah Cup, for which the Army and the Chinese have qualified. Extra time will be played, if necessary. One Senior League game is also down for decision, Kowloon entertaining the Police in a match which has been advanced a fortnight.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government will be present at the Lai Wah Cup game and will present the trophy at the conclusion.

The fixture list, together with grounds, times of kick-off, and referees appointed, is as follows:

Lai Wah Cup Final.

Army v. Chinese.—Club, 3.30 p.m.—Mr. Atkinson (referee). Messrs. Stokes and Smith (lineamen).

Senior League.

Kowloon v. Police.—Kowloon, 4 p.m.—Mr. Cowan.

Junior League.

Eastern v. Queen's.—Chinese, 2.30 p.m.—Mr. Lamb. St. Joseph's v. Navy.—St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.—Mr. Clark. Chinese Ath. v. S. China "A".—Club, 2.15 p.m.—Mr. Lawrence. Small Units v. Kowloon.—Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.—Mr. Samy. Recreio. v. R.A.—Recreio, 2.30.—Mr. Shend.

The Lai Wah Cup.

As the Army team for the Lai Wah Cup final to-morrow has not come to hand at the time of writing, it may seem that the officials are finding some difficulty in deciding who shall fill the all-important position of centre-half. With Sims here, it was filled for them; without him, it is difficult to judge between the rival merits of Davey, of the Borderers, and Hill, of the Queen's. Apart from this position, the display of the Army team against the Navy was good enough to make one reluctant to meddle with it too much, though Fletcher, the goalkeeper, may be, and Barclay, may have to be, replaced.

Reeves has claims to the leadership, and if he is given it, and shows his true form, not. On Wednesday, I fancy the Army will manage to get through with a win. The Chinese will have to play a good deal above the form in the match against the Civilian to succeed again, though they certainly have a very strong side on paper.

Kowloon at Home.

Kowloon and the Police meet to-morrow in the only Senior League fixture, the match having been brought forward from December 29th. The Police are playing with much determination just now and their recent successes seem to indicate that they will be too good for the mainlanders.

Kowloon, however, are still a side to reckoned with to some extent, and a surprise victory must not be put beyond them. Both defences are pretty sound, the Police having the better reputation. It should provide a keen game, with the odds slightly in favour of the Police. Kowloon are experimenting by playing Miles at centre-forward.

Junior Division.

There is no match of outstanding interest in the Junior Division of the League. The Queen's should take two points from Eastern F.C. with comfortable ease, the Navy seem to be on a good thing, the Chinese Athletic are marked for a win, while the Recreio and Kowloon may gain one point each at the expense of military rivals. Kowloon Reserves have arranged to play at home.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon 1st XI:—Angus; Guest, Pilo; Hedley, McKelvie, Easterbrook; Clemo, Spary, Miles, Hayes and Baldwin. Reserve—King.

The following will represent the Kowloon 2nd XI:—Angus; Nicholls, Hast; White, Robson, Blacklock; Hannan, Davies, Moss, Morgan and Sutherland. Reserves—Seddon and Waddington.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

WIN FOR H.M.S. SEAMEW.

The Shameen Sports Club were defeated on Wednesday by two goals to one by H.M.S. Seamew. With the score at one to nil in favour of Shameen Sports Club at half-time, it was soon evident to players and spectators alike that the Seamew were all out in the second half to win at all costs. The game was once stopped by the referee who issued a general warning to the Seamew team and on several occasions he was obliged to warn individual players. The Shameen Sports Club played quite the best game they have played this season and were evidently very much strengthened by the return of W. O. Gerrard, who played a really fine game.

The first League match between the Seamew and Shameen about six weeks ago resulted in a draw. The teams on Wednesday were: Shameen Sports Club:—A. T. Lay; Nogetzler, W. O. Gerrard; Brown, J. Linaker, O. Friesener; F. E. W. Lammert, R. Rasmussen, Geo. Duncan, V. W. L. Stanton and J. Rodger.

H. M. S. Seamew:—Chapman; Horn, Cecil; Leeson, Goodman, Grimdell; Alderman, Mitchell, Adams, Thwaites and Thompson. The present standing of the League is as follows.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.M.S. Seamew	5	3	2	0	17	4	8
H.M.S. Gicla	6	2	2	2	7	6	6
H.M.S. Tarantula	4	1	2	1	8	7	4
Club Laitano	4	2	0	4	14	22	4
H.M.S. Moorhen	2	1	1	0	4	8	3
Shameen S.C.	1	1	1	0	7	12	2
H.M.S. Moth	0	1	0	0	6	1	2

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- 9.30 a.m.—A. B. Stewart and D. G. MacDonald.
- 9.35 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and R. H. Hollis.
- 9.40 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and N. K. Littlejohn.
- 9.44 a.m.—E. R. Hallifax and T. G. Bennett.
- 9.48 a.m.—G. E. Towns and J. Cameron.
- 9.52 a.m.—W. J. Roberts and D. H. Perry.
- 9.56 a.m.—R. A. Campbell and M. M. Maas.
- 10.00 a.m.—W. C. Clark and W. A. Weight.
- 10.04 a.m.—A. B. Purves and J. S. MacLaren.
- 10.08 a.m.—A. Morley and D. M. Goodall.
- 10.12 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and S. M. Monroe.
- 10.16 a.m.—D. W. McWhirter and A. Webster.
- 10.20 a.m.—C. B. Riggs and H. W. Beveridge.
- 10.24 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and H. U. Ireland.
- 10.28 a.m.—R. M. Chaloner and H. Spicer.
- 10.32 a.m.—C. B. Johnson and A. B. Raworth.
- 10.36 a.m.—A. Leach and F. A. Merry.
- 10.40 a.m.—C. G. Holmes and G. R. Horridge.
- 10.44 a.m.—L. Garner and G. E. Mitchell.
- 10.48 a.m.—J. H. Davy and H. N. Laver.
- 10.52 a.m.—J. M. Walker and I. W. Shewan.
- 10.56 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and L. R. Andrewes.
- 11.00 a.m.—R. A. Green and F. M. Ellis.
- 11.04 a.m.—T. L. Christie and J. H. Raikes.
- 11.08 a.m.—J. M. Norrie and J. Gardner.
- 11.12 a.m.—A. E. Wood and Major Beamish.
- 11.16 a.m.—C. W. Jeffries and L. J. Blackburn.
- 11.20 a.m.—A. R. Cox and C. J. Waddell.
- 11.24 a.m.—J. Fleming and J. P. Sherry.
- 11.28 a.m.—T. S. Morrison and D. Smith.
- 11.32 a.m.—Major Hull and F. G. Fowle.



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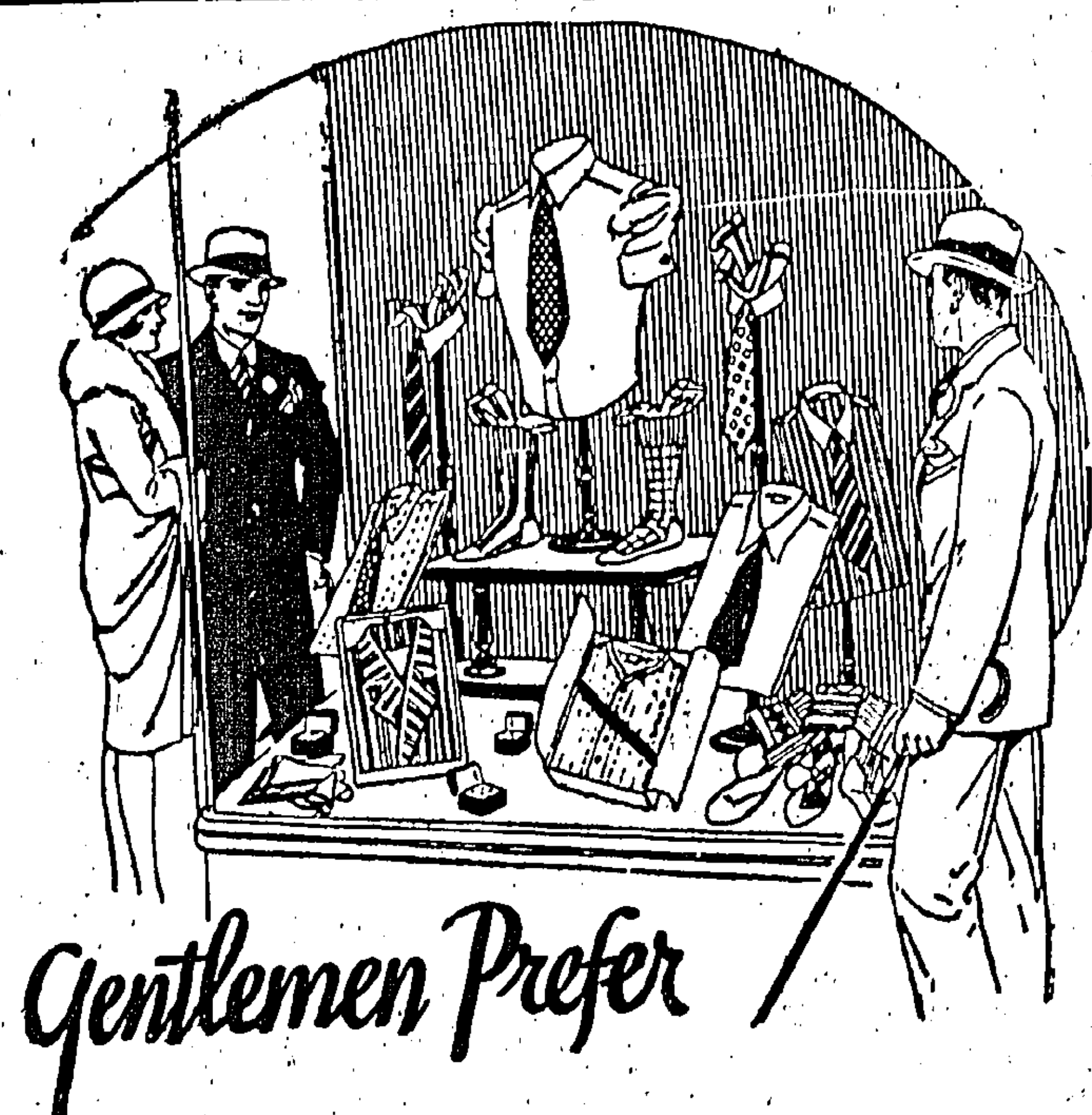
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Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1923.

1. Camp Pay.—All units will parade under Company arrangements to draw camp pay at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 20th and Friday, 21st December, 1923.

2. Parades.

No parades will be held at Corps Headquarters from Monday, 24th December, 1923 to Thursday, 3rd January, 1924, inclusive.

3. Boxing Committee Meeting.

A meeting of the Boxing Committee will be held at Corps Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Monday, 17th December, 1923.

4. Boxing Tournament.

Intending competitors are reminded that entries close at 6 p.m. on Monday, 17th December, 1923. Entries, stating weights, should be sent to Sergt. W. H. Owen c/o P. W. D.

5. Musketry.

The Scottish Company will fire Part II Table 'T' at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 16th December, 1923.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. Mackenzie. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. Dress: Musketry order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces, and pouches. Uniform or muff optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 14th December, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, 15th December, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

6. Corps Band.

The next Band Practice will be Tuesday, 18th January, 1924.

The Band will parade to draw Camp Pay at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 17th December at Corps Headquarters.

8. The Battery.

Annual Camp. The Battery will proceed to Tai Lam Camp from Friday evening, 14th December to Sunday evening, 16th December, 1923.

Transport to camp will be provided as follows: Friday, 14th December by Bus leaving Kowloon Ferry at 5.30 p.m.; Saturday, 15th December by Bus leaving Kowloon Ferry at 2 p.m.

Any members who cannot parade at Kowloon Ferry at 6 p.m. on Friday, but can reach camp before the 8 a.m. parade on Saturday morning must do so.

Dress: As for the first camp.

9. Engineer Company.

The Company will parade at Belcher's Port on Tuesday, 18th December at 6 p.m. for Night Run. Dress: Uniform, Caps (if issued) Tunics, slacks; Belts without sidearms; Invernesses. It will be necessary to bring rations, as the run will not terminate till 10.30 p.m.

10. Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 17th and Thursday, 20th December at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction. Dress: Muff.

11. Mounted Infantry Company.

Thursday, 20th December. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Overall.

12. Armoured Car Company.

Car Section. Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 17th Dec.

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4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.
One solution is printed on another page.

13. Machine Gun Company.

There will be no further parades until Tuesday, 18th January, 1924. Company Dance at the City Hall. Members are reminded that the Company Dance will take place at 9 p.m. on Friday, 14th December in the St. George's Room of the City Hall.

It is hoped that everyone will be present to ensure a successful and enjoyable evening.

14. Scottish Company.

Thursday, 20th December. Platoons will parade at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Muff.

15. Portuguese Company.

Parades. The next parade for the Company after the 14th December will be Friday, 11th January, 1924, when everyone will be expected to be present.

The Company will parade to draw camp pay at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 17th December, 1923.

16. Reserve Company.

Wednesday, 19th December. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. and proceed to Kennedy Road Range by Ford Truck for Machine Gun Firing practice. Dress: Muff.

17. Transfer.

No. 1058 Pte. J. Durran is transferred from Mounted Infantry Company to the Medical Section, as from 10.12.23.

18. Leave.

No. 1162 Sergt. T. D. E. Pendered, A.S.C. Code, from 8.12.23 to 30.6.24.
No. 991 Pte. J. R. L. Stanton, Car Section, from 4.12.23 to 13.12.23.
No. 982 Sigm. E. de Silva, Signals, sick leave from 7.12.23 to 7.1.24.
No. 1405 Pte. M. P. Oleson, M. C.

CAUSTIC COMMENT.

"THE KIANGAN OPIUM CASE IS DEAD."

Shanghai, Dec. 13. The North China Daily News, in a sarcastic leader, says that none are surprised at the sudden silence which has fallen on the Kiangnan opium case. The first symptom of disillusionment was the dismissal of the Chief of Police, Colonel Tai Shih-fu, who was merely carrying out the orders of the Mayor of Greater Shanghai, who was acting under Nanking's instructions to suppress the opium trade. "The Kiangnan opium case is dead."

The N. C. D. News adds that it seems the official prerogative of opium is inviolable. Governors who should protect their people, compel them to grow the poppy instead, till China literally cannot produce enough food for her needs because her generals and officials must have their opium revenue to supply their concubines with mansions, motor cars and jewels. The Chinese masses know it and will not forget, but for the time being the opium-dealing officials are safe behind their two million soldiers and willing to silence the highest in the land.—Reuter.

INTER-ALLIED WAR MEMORIAL.

MONEY NOT ACCOUNTED FOR.

Paris, Dec. 13. Le Journal recalls that M. Klotz was the promoter of a scheme for founding an Inter-Allied Pantheon at America to commemorate the British and French war dead, for which hundreds of millions of francs were subscribed in France and England. Hitherto there has been no statement of how the money was applied.—Reuter.

CHEAPER FARES.

C.P.R. RECEIVE NUMBER OF ENQUIRIES.

London, Dec. 13. As a result of the reduction to £10 of the passenger rate for emigrants to Canada, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company have received requests from sub-agents in all parts of the country, to whom inquiries had been made by prospective settlers, for information regarding this matter.—British Wireless.

RAW SILK.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 13. The Silk Association of America has approved plans for an international technical conference for the classification of raw silk to be held in New York in the spring. European, Far Eastern and American experts are expected to participate.—Reuter's American Service.

Section from 23.11.23 to 13.12.23.

19. Struck off the Strength. Having left the Colony, as from 1.12.23.

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ANGLO-CHINESE OUTLOOK.

IMPORTANT SPEECH BY DR. C. T. WANG.

POINTED REFERENCES.

Shanghai, Dec. 13.
Dr. C. T. Wang and Mr. H. H. Kung were the guests at a dinner to-night given by the British Chamber of Commerce and the China Association.

In the course of a speech, Dr. Wang said he appreciated the spirit which animated the occasion, which he interpreted as the spirit which sought a better understanding of China, so that Sino-British relationships might continue to improve.

Mutual lack of understanding had been the cause of many frictions in the past, but experience was guiding both nations to the path of that normal and equitable relationship and co-operation which should have existed long since between them.

Dr. Wang continued to say that if the Chinese people were quick to resent unjust or intolerant treatment, they were as quick to respond to gestures of friendship.

"The British declarations of December, 1926, and January, 1927, although falling at the time to dissipate apprehensions lingering in the mind of the Chinese people, have gradually changed their attitude towards Britain."

"The National Government regard the trying times that existed between Britain and China as now over. In a country with a past like that of China, and which politically was slowly changing to its foundations, a man who expects the absence of anomalies, or its instability and uncertainty to a certain extent—well he has not read history. Almost more than any other of the kindly qualities China these days needs is forbearance on the part of her critics. She also needs understanding."

"The immediate future of China depends a good deal on the recent and present negotiations with the Powers. In this respect, I feel assured the British nation will not lend support—directly or indirectly—to any moves which any other quarter may make to prevent China from working out her own destiny—calculated to disintegrate China politically or secure a continuance of the state of instability and uncertainty from which China is emerging."

A Previous Declaration.

"In this connexion I remind you that as long ago as 1898 the Duke of Devonshire, then Minister for Foreign Affairs, pointed out that Britain's main interests in China were commercial interests, and any attempt on the part of other nations to establish China spheres of influence where the principles of commercial exclusion might be upset would be opposed by Britain to the utmost. In view of the liberal re-orientation of Britain's foreign outlook since the War, and the recent statements made by British statesmen, I feel confident Britain to-day more than ever stands by that policy. Therefore it is expected she will never lend support, or even condonation, to the policies in any

quarter which seek to secure those things which the Duke of Devonshire pledged Britain to oppose. Furthermore, to afford an opportunity for even the impression to prevail here that Britain is lending support or condonation in that respect would bring about apprehensions which we should all try to prevent to arise in the minds of the Chinese people.

"It is common knowledge that your Government nowadays is unusually well-informed on all matters in the Far East, and therefore your rulers' friendly gesture, Mr. Baldwin's frank expression of Britain's desire to take all practicable measures to meet the natural aspirations of our people, and Sir Austen Chamberlain's assurance that he is always anxious to do his utmost to settle in the most friendly manner outstanding questions with the National Government, encourage us in the immense task we have in hand—the enormous labour of co-ordinating modern thoughts and conditions with the social system which took root more than four thousand years ago."

China will Co-Operate.

"I understand from these speeches by your leading statesmen that the British Government seek understanding and co-operation from China. They will certainly find the National Government ready, eager and responsive, and I sincerely hope this growing spirit of a better understanding will soon bear fruitful results."

"The year 1928 witnessed the continual recovery of British trade in China. The National Government is desirous to see it continue to flourish. It is my sincerest hope that to-night's friendly meeting between you and us is a happy augury for the success of the new era of readjusted, equitable relationship between China and Britain."

British Expectations.

Proposing the healths of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Wang, and Commerce, Mr. Kung, Mr. Calder Marshall, chairman of the British Chamber and the China Association, pointed out that Sino-British ideas of treaties, taxes and trademarks had not always synchronized, but both

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LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

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WALK, WALL, WILL, RILL, RILE, RIDE.

nations had the same goal—namely, the welfare of China.

Mr. Calder Marshall animadverted on the vexatious taxes impeding commerce, and the occurrence of unfortunate incidents and the inability to obtain redress. He hoped these matters would receive attention so that there would be security and justice in united China.

The British realized the Government's task was colossal, but the statesmen leading China knew those eternal principles which are the corner-stones of national stability. He wished them every success in the great work.—*Reuter.*

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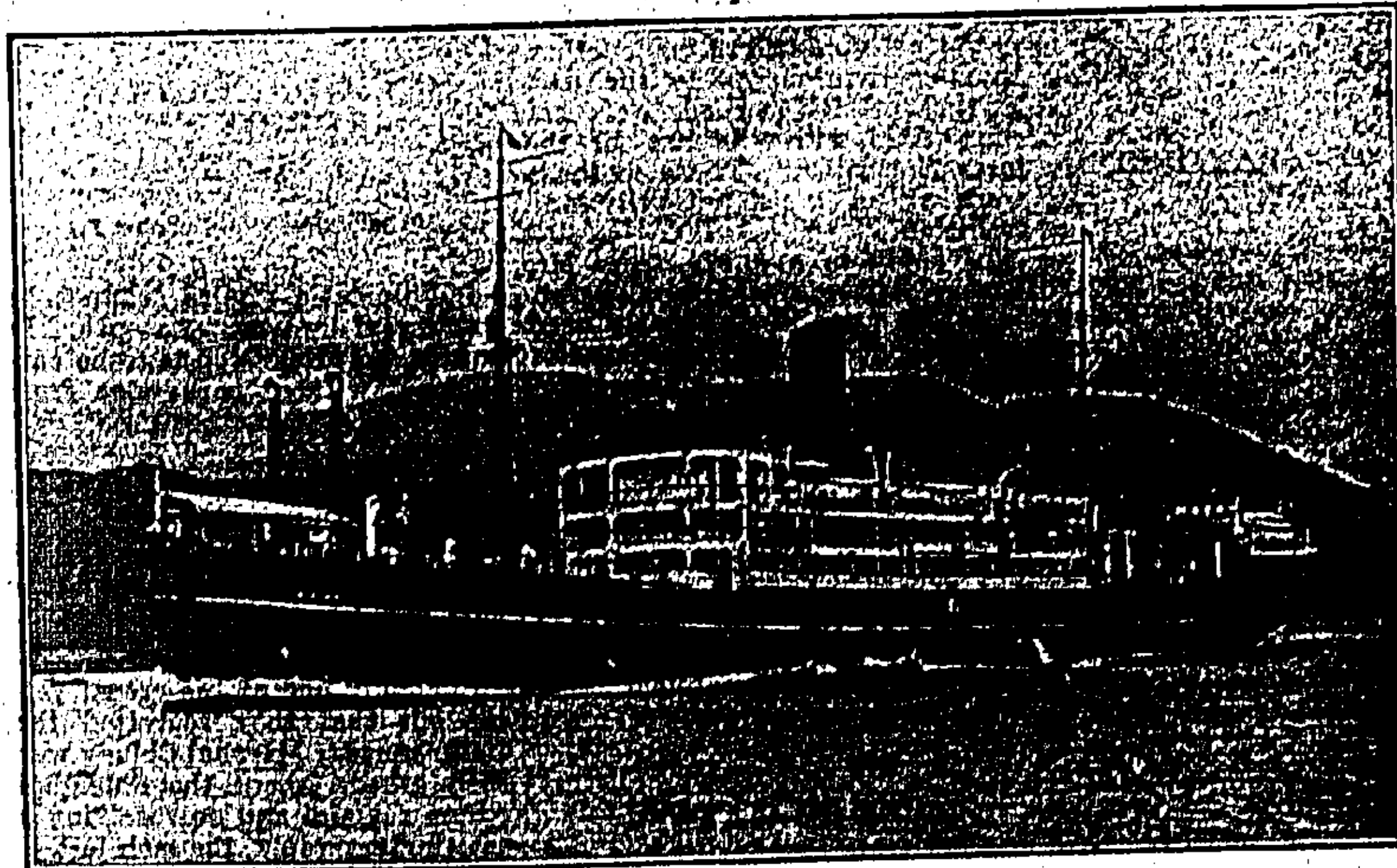
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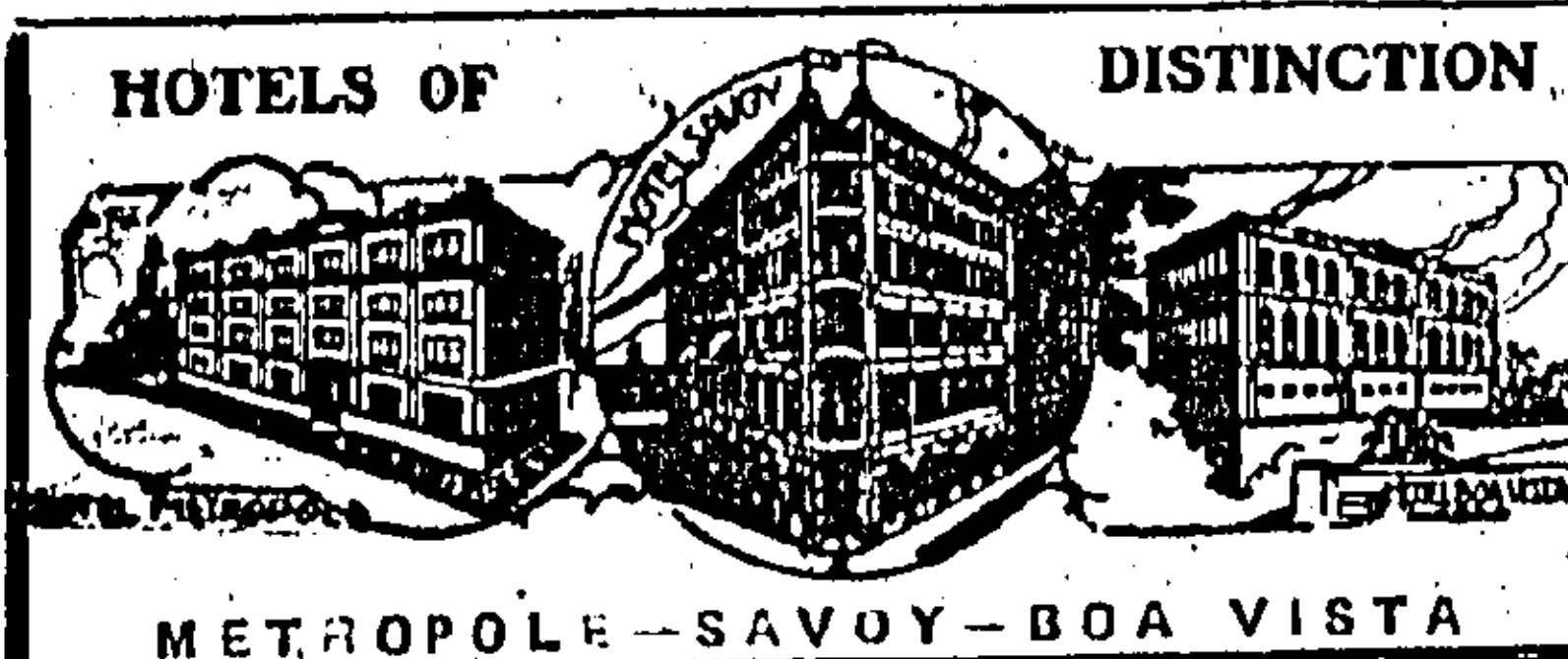
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SHANGHAI SLAVE TRAFFIC.

POLICE ROUND UP
ABDUCTORS.

REGULAR MARKET REVEALED
IN CANTON.

DWARF AS DECOY.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.
An organized gang of abductors who have been the scourge of the Settlement for weeks, and who have widespread ramifications, have been brought to book by the Municipal Police, the arrests including a dwarfed Chinese who, despite his 28 years, looks but a child, and also a Cantonese who it is alleged is acting as "buyer" on behalf of a syndicate in Canton which has a regular slave market in operation.

The six arrested men will appear in Court this morning, and it is due to vigilance of a Chinese constable that this important arrest has been made.

Employed by Syndicate.

On Saturday morning, the Chinese constable had his suspicions aroused when he saw two "children" riding together in a ricksha.

One of the "children" had his hand tightly clasped over the mouth of the other, and when the constable stopped the ricksha the dwarf revealed himself as a 28 years' old Cantonese who had been employed by the Cantonese syndicate for the purpose of decoying children into taking a ricksha ride with him—preparatory to being shipped off for Canton for eventual sale in the slave market, which, it is stated, flourishes there.

Dwarf As Decoy.

The dwarf, who is in custody, has all the appearance of a mite, of about eight years of age, and it is stated that through his agency at least six Chinese children have been decoyed into the hands of the Cantonese buyer of slaves during the past week.

The decoy and his captive were taken to the police station and there the dwarf gave information regarding the gang which led to the other arrests. There was a general round-up by the police, and all the arrested men are Cantonese.

When the men appear in Court to-day, they will be charged with "slavery," and the C. I. D. are making a determined effort to wipe out this insidious business.

It appears that the undersized man mingles with his victims and inveigles them into enjoying a ricksha ride, and with the exception of the little fellow who was rescued yesterday, they all finished up in the market at Canton.

Regular Market.

Investigations go to prove that there is a regular market in Canton with an organization which covers not only the main ports of China, including Shanghai, but all the provincial centres. Small children are inveigled into taking motor car or ricksha rides with the abductors and are then shipped to Canton after being so thoroughly terrorized that they are afraid to make anything in the nature of an alarm.

There is every reason to believe that the latest capture of the police involves at least one of the principals of this unscrupulous gang of abductors, and it is expected that the proceedings this morning will throw further light on this despicable business which is being carried on in the Settlement, and other places in China. —Shanghai Times.

GROUNDLESS FEARS.

MONEY FOR PANTHEON
SAFE.

Paris, Dec. 13.
It is ascertained that the money subscribed for the Inter-Allied Pantheon at Amiens, to commemorate the Anglo-French war dead, has been duly handed to the French Government.

It was stated yesterday that M. Klotz was the promoter of this scheme, and that no statement had been issued as to how the hundreds of millions of francs subscribed in France and England had been applied. —Reuter.

GREEK GOVERNMENT BONDS.

READY RESPONSE MADE IN
LONDON.

London, Dec. 13.
The issue in London to-day of £4,000,000 of six per cent. sterling bonds of the Greek Government met with a ready response, and the subscription lists were closed this morning. —British Wireless.

ENGLAND-AFRICA AVIATION.

AIR ROUTES NOT DEFINITELY
SELECTED YET.

LAND OR SEA PLANES?

London, Dec. 13.
Questioned in the House of Commons to-day regarding the establishment of an air service between London and South Africa, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, said a number of flights had taken place between London and South Africa and intermediate points.

Valuable information had been obtained as a result, but the actual details of the route selected would depend on whether land planes or sea planes were used on certain parts of the journey. That could only be determined when concrete proposals were formulated.

The Air Minister expected such proposals to be made in the near future, and if these were considered practicable, immediate steps would be taken, in co-operation with the Government of South Africa, who were aware of our intention and desire to develop air communications of that nature. —British Wireless.

CHINESE DOCTOR CHARGED.

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down the medical science from father to son; it is kept in the same family?—Yes.

Family Traditions.

Mr. Loseby further asked if witness also knew of any Chinese physician whose father was not of the same occupation.

Mr. Lindell:—I suppose the family traditions must start somewhere. There is a possibility of the race dying out and a new start made somewhere.

Mr. Loseby:—The race started, according to tradition, with one. There are such things as doctors multiplying in accordance with the increase in the population.

In a further dissertation on this aspect of the development of Chinese medical science, Mr. Loseby asked if witness knew that a large number of Chinese practitioners confined themselves to one proprietary medicine which had been handed down to them with the family traditions.

Witness said he did not know that such was the case.

Dangerous Drugs.

Inspector Lane:—Is it not a fact that European drugs of that kind might be more dangerous in the hands of Chinese practitioners?—They would be, through being more concentrated.

Dr. E. Kirk, another medical expert called by the prosecution, said he had been in China since 1910. He was up-country for a number of years, and while there he saw the workings of purely Chinese medicine. He had many personal friends who were Chinese herbalists, and had consulted with Chinese practitioners in medical cases.

The term "herbalist" was the most convenient that could be applied to the Chinese practitioner, although not so suitable because there were other branches of Chinese medicine, such as minor surgery where they put on plasters, termed *ko yauk*.

Other Methods.

Witnessers also knew that these Chinese practitioners used needles and also used a method of counter-irritation by pinching and suction, causing livid marks to the part treated. Such methods were not compatible with the use of the term "herbalist." Those methods were all of great antiquity and tradition.

In reply to a query from Mr. Loseby, witness said with reference to a word he previously used in evidence:—My meaning of "consulting" is that Chinese herbalists always sought my advice. I never sought theirs.

Witness agreed with Mr. Dovey's definition of the essential difference between Western and Chinese medicine, but explained that it was not quite complete in so far as he had mentioned previously that the Chinese had other methods of treatment.

The case was adjourned.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is Central to the North of Korea. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the South East coast of China and over the China sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North-East winds, fresh; fine to cloudy.

HOUSE OF LORDS REFORM.

LATEST SCHEME NOT
ACCEPTABLE.

GOVERNMENT WANTS CHECK
ON THE HEADSTRONG.

REDUCTION APPROVED

London, Dec. 13.
Lord Clarendon's proposals for the reform of the House of Lords were again before the Upper Chamber to-day.

The Marquis of Reading (Liberal) said the proposals were a very distinct advance on the proposals of the Government which were put before the House last year by the late Lord Chancellor Cave. All were agreed there must be reform of the House, with the object of giving all parties a fair representation therein. Hitherto it had been impossible to devise any plan which would obtain the universal assent of their Lordships.

Not Acceptable.

Continuing, Lord Reading said any scheme of reform agreeable to their Lordships would also have to gain the assent of the people of the country. An examination of Lord Clarendon's proposals, however, had convinced him that it was quite impossible to accept them in their present form. They must result in a predominantly Conservative membership of the House.

To proceed to the election of 150 Peers by proportional representation or cumulative vote of the Peers themselves must inevitably result in a very large majority of Conservative Peers out of that 150.

Amendment Proposed.

Lord Newton moved an amendment limiting Lord Clarendon's proposals to the preamble, which declared the desirability of limiting the number of members of the House of Lords and making provision for the elective representation of the Peerage and such other representation or nomination as would ensure to each political party a fair position in the House. This would eliminate Lord Clarendon's actual proposals.

Lord Clarendon accepted the amendment, and expressed his willingness also to substitute the word "reduce" for "limit."

The Marquis of Salisbury, replying for the Government, said the difficulty on this question lay rather in the House of Commons. How could the Government be identified with any special method of reform until its supporters in the Commons were able to come to some agreement?

Check on Headstrong.

Referring to the particular proposals of Lord Clarendon, he said he thought the Second Chamber ought, on the whole, to be Conservative. It was meant to be a check on careless or headstrong legislation. But the Government could not identify itself with Lord Clarendon's proposals. It must not accept a sketch until it was prepared to fill in the whole picture, and in this Parliament it had not the time.

Lord Newton's amendment was adopted by 62 votes to 8.—British Wireless.

SERIOUS NANKING ROWDYISM.

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"Diplomatic affairs cannot be successful by word of mouth. In future, no procession is to be carried out without permission from the responsible authorities."

Crowd's Regrets.

Marshal Chiang told the mob to appoint a delegate, from each of the organisations to see him the next day, but no delegate was appointed.

Suddenly one of the crowd yelled out that they regretted the disturbance. Marshal Chiang was then asked about the Shanghai opium scandal and on receiving a satisfactory reply, the mob left.

Mr. Tokonami returned to Shanghai last night.—Nam Chung Pao.

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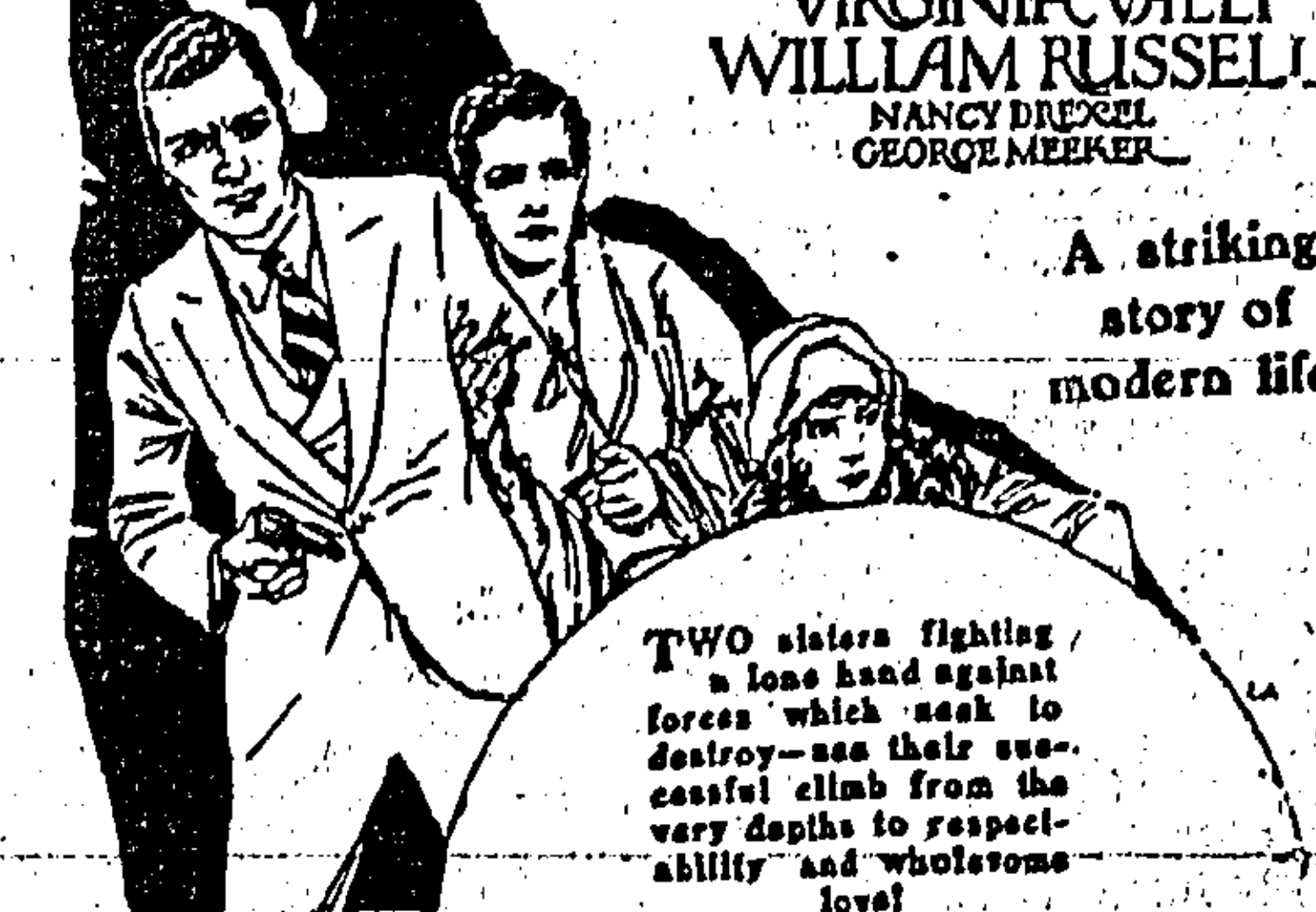
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